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On Behalf Of:

Committee:

House Committee On Judiciary

Measure, Appointment or Topic:

HB4145

Dear Legislators,

House Bill 4145 does far too little to address the fundamental injustices imposed by Ballot Measure 114. Rather than tinkering around the edges of an already problematic law, the only rational and responsible course is to repeal Measure 114 entirely. I urge you to amend HB 4145 with a single, straightforward provision: "Given that Measure 114 is facially unconstitutional under numerous U.S. Supreme Court precedents, including Bruen and Heller, it is hereby rescinded in its entirety." Any other approach will only commit the State of Oregon to years of costly, taxpayer-funded litigation defending the indefensible. As elected stewards of public resources, you have a clear obligation to protect our tax dollars from wasteful expenditure on laws that violate Second Amendment rights. This is your opportunity to do the right thing: reject HB 4145 in its current form, rescind Measure 114, and redirect your efforts toward addressing genuine public safety challenges. Law-abiding citizens exercising their constitutional civil rights are not the problem—please stop treating them as such. Thank you for your attention to this critical matter.