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On Behalf Of:

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HB4145

I am writing in support of House Bill 4145, which modifies the firearm permit provisions of Ballot Measure 114, passed by Oregon voters in 2022 and awaiting a favorable ruling by the Oregon Supreme Court. This bill will enact a number of technical fixes, creating an efficient and sustainable permitting process for those wishing to purchase firearms. As a healthcare professional who has provided mental health and addictions treatment to fellow Oregonians for many years, I know the terrible health consequences associated with gun violence and the threat of gun violence. Evidence shows that permit requirements reduce the proliferation of and easy access to guns associated with the tragedy of turning impulse into lethal action. Additionally, as a mother and a grandmother, I believe it is imperative to enact gun safety legislation, including permitting procedures, to increase the well-being of our children and all Oregonians.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony in support of this legislation