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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Judiciary

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB4145

I am writing to respectfully oppose HB 4145.

I am a young, law-abiding firearm owner and a licensed Concealed Carry (CHL/CCL) holder in Oregon. I have complied with every existing requirement — background checks, training, fees, and waiting periods — because I take firearm ownership seriously and understand the responsibility that comes with it.

HB 4145 does not target criminals. It targets people like me.

This bill builds upon Measure 114 by increasing costs, extending timelines, and expanding bureaucratic hurdles for individuals who are already following the law. Raising permit fees and doubling review timelines will not stop violent crime — it will only punish responsible citizens who are exercising a constitutional right in good faith.

Criminals do not apply for permits. Criminals do not wait for approval. Criminals do not pay fees or submit fingerprints. Laws like HB 4145 therefore function as a barrier to lawful ownership, not as a solution to violence.

As a young Oregonian, I am especially concerned that this bill creates a financial and administrative barrier to firearm ownership that disproportionately affects working adults, young families, and first-time gun owners. A right that can only be exercised after excessive fees and delays is not meaningfully accessible.

Additionally, HB 4145 expands exemptions for certain groups while further restricting the general public, effectively creating a two-tier system of rights. Constitutional rights should not depend on profession, age, or political favor.

Public safety is important — but it must be pursued through evidence-based policy, enforcement of existing laws, and investment in mental health resources, not by placing additional burdens on citizens who already follow the rules.

For these reasons, I urge legislators to vote NO on HB 4145 and to respect the rights of law-abiding Oregonians.

Thank you for your time and consideration