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**From: Kerry Spurgin, President**  
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**To: Opposition to HB4145.**

**The Oregon State Shooting Association is OPPOSED to HB4145. HB4145 bill does not save lives but rather is targeted to remove Oregonian's right to self-defense.** In addition, HB4145 has lacked transparency by not being available before its first reading on the House floor and not providing ample time for public testimony prior to the public meeting.

Below are specific reasons why HB4145 should be rejected.

- If HB4145 were about saving lives, suicide prevention, meaning mental health aid prior to suicidal incidents, would be the action. Even the state's own taskforce does not recommend gun control as measures to prevent suicide.
- HB4145 increases fees (\$65-\$150, +130%) and delays (30-60 days, +100%), with no recourse by Oregonians when the schedule is not met and must be restarted.
  - The delays with the training requirement means it takes 3-4 months for an Oregonian to exercise their 2<sup>nd</sup> amendment rights.
  - This increase in fees and delays mean that some Oregonians cannot afford to execute their constitutional rights to self-defense.
- This is no longer a 'Shall' issue permit with the clause that it may be denied based on a subjective ruling, without adjudication, by the issuing authority.
- HB4145 enables a protected class of citizens (past law enforcement) that are not required to meet the same standard as the rest of Oregonians.
- HB4145 installs a registry of gun owners that can be misused or breached, which is a direct violation of federal law.
- HB4145 seeks to manipulate the judicial system by requiring all legal challenges to be completed through Marion Circuit Court. This means the law is so wrong that the authors know it will not survive legal challenges outside of their home court.
- Lastly HB4145 adjusts the implementation of the permit system to January 1, 2028. If this were the only provision of the bill, it would be acceptable to give time for judicial challenges to complete.

- HB4145 does not deal with the magazine ban portion of BM114; which has its own issues related to implementation dates of Dec 8, 2022 and March 16, 2026.