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On Behalf Of:
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Opposition Testimony – HB 4145 (2026)
Submitted to the Oregon Legislature

I oppose HB 4145.

HB 4145 places new burdens on law-abiding citizens while doing nothing meaningful to stop criminals, who by definition do not follow regulations. This bill will not reduce violent crime, but it will increase cost, legal risk, and barriers for ordinary Oregonians acting in good faith.

Equally troubling, the hearing for this bill did not appear on OLIS until last Monday morning, severely limiting public notice and participation. That kind of last-minute scheduling undermines trust in the legislative process.

For both substantive and procedural reasons, HB 4145 should be rejected.

Respectfully submitted,

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