

Please support House Bill 4145. My name is Lilly Kaisi, and I am a current Junior at Lake Oswego High School. Every day, we students live in fear of coming to school. It shouldn't be our job to fight against these unsafe gun laws. It shouldn't be put on the kids' responsibility. When an alarm goes off, my heart starts beating, wondering if it is just a drill. We shouldn't have to look through the news and see people constantly being shot. A shooting occurred at Sandy Hook Elementary School. Literal kids are being put in fear. Parents are scared that their kids won't come home from school. This is not okay. Better laws need to be enforced. Guns are the 2nd-leading cause of death among children and teens in Oregon, and the leading cause nationwide. We can and must do better, and we made great progress when we enacted a permit to purchase law in 2022. The provisions in this bill will enable state agencies and law enforcement departments across the state to implement life-saving gun violence prevention laws to the best of their ability. I urge you to lead our state toward a future free from gun violence by doing your part to advance this bill. Thank you.