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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Judiciary

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB4145

Dear Oregon lawmakers,

I am writing to inform you of my support for the HB 4145 which will enable state agencies and police to protect citizens with new life saving laws. Please vote yes on this bill

I have some concerns about the bill, the key issue being here is that 4145, which implements the restrictions in MZ 114, contains exemptions for retired law enforcement. That includes probation officers. One of the key provisions of MZ 114 was the prohibition on standard capacity magazines. For years now, we have been subjected to an endless litany that magazines over 10 rounds are "weapons of war." So, it is hard to understand why a retired probation officer, or any retired law enforcement agent, needs a "weapon of war" when you can go to jail for having one.

Furthermore, Oregon's Constitution specifically notes:

Section 20. Equality of privileges and immunities of citizens. No law shall be passed granting to any citizen or class of citizens privileges, or immunities, which, upon the same terms, shall not equally belong to all citizens.

It is my hope that the provisions mentioned above will be removed from the bill.