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Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB4145

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to address this measure.

Measure HB 4145 is redundant and will cost taxpayers for a permit to purchase.

Section A: "(A) An applicant whose residence is in an incorporated area may apply for a permit to

purchase a firearm to either the police chief of the city in which the applicant resides or the

county sheriff of the county in which the applicant resides."

Oppose because: a) Federal Firearm License dealers are required to do the same in essence by sales via the system that exists'; b) worrisome that citizens of good standing have their serial numbers of their guns on forever database, on CCW, and then now on permit to purchase.

Section B: An applicant whose residence is in an unincorporated area may apply for a permit to purchase a firearm to the county sheriff of the county in which the applicant resides.

Oppose Because: National laws allow citizens of good standing to purchase firearms from FFLs wherever sold and to go through extensive background checks.

Oppose -(A) Is not prohibited from possessing, purchasing or acquiring a firearm under state or federal

law[, including but not limited to];

(B) Has not, within the previous four years, been convicted of or been found guilty except

for insanity of a misdemeanor involving violence as defined in ORS 166.470'

OPPOSE because this is what a FFL does - through the sheriff's office and the FBI.

**** Please note: The Gun Control Act of 1968 (GCA) is a landmark federal law signed by President Lyndon B. Johnson that regulates the firearms industry and ownership in the United States. Passed in response to the assassinations of JFK, Robert Kennedy, and Martin Luther King Jr., it expanded the prohibited persons list, established federal dealer licensing, restricted interstate gun traffic, and banned imports of non-sporting firearms.

Key Provisions of the GCA of 1968

**Prohibited Persons: It became unlawful for felons, drug addicts, illegal aliens, and those adjudicated as mentally defective to possess or receive firearms.

**Dealer Licensing: Individuals engaged in the business of selling firearms were required to obtain a federal license, ensuring stricter oversight of sales.

**Interstate Restrictions: The Act prohibited mail-order sales of rifles and shotguns to individuals and restricted the interstate transportation of firearms.

**Import Restrictions: It placed strict limits on the importation of surplus military

weapons and small, inexpensive handguns.

****Serial Numbers:** The law mandated that manufacturers and importers place serial numbers on all firearms.

AND---- Major Federal Gun Laws

*National Firearms Act (1934): The first major federal law, taxing and requiring registration for "dangerous" weapons like machine guns and sawed-off shotguns.

*Federal Firearms Act (1938): Required gun sellers to obtain a Federal Firearms License (FFL) and prohibited sales to convicted felons.

*Gun Control Act (1968): Expanded the FFL system, banned mail-order gun sales, and established categories of "prohibited persons".

*Firearms Owners' Protection Act (1986): Eased some GCA restrictions but banned the civilian sale of new machine guns.

*Undetectable Firearms Act (1988): Banned guns that cannot be detected by metal detectors (extended through 2035).

*Gun-Free School Zones Act (1990): Prohibited firearm possession in or near school zones.

*Brady Handgun Violence Prevention Act (1993): Mandated background checks for FFL purchases and created the NICS system.

*Federal Assault Weapons Ban (1994): A 10-year ban on the manufacture of certain semi-automatic firearms; it expired in 2004.

*Protection of Lawful Commerce in Arms Act (2005): Provided the gun industry with broad immunity from civil liability for crimes committed with their products.

*NICS Improvement Amendments Act (2007): Incentivized states to share more information with the federal background check system.

We have enough laws and is redundant and prohibitive for citizens in good standing.