

Submitter:

Tony Frost

On Behalf Of:

Committee:

House Committee On Judiciary

Measure, Appointment or Topic:

HB4145

Dear Members of the House Judiciary Committee,

My name is Tony Frost, and I live in Dayton and do business and own property in Oregon as a licensed Federal Firearms Licensee (FFL) and professional hand engraver. I specialize in custom firearm engraving—artistic work that turns functional tools into heirloom pieces for responsible owners, hunters, and competitive shooters. I'm also a father and a lifelong sportsman who hunts, competes, and teaches safe firearm handling to my kids and others in our community.

I strongly oppose HB 4145. This bill builds on Ballot Measure 114 by doubling permit wait times to 60 days, more than doubling fees to \$150, and giving bureaucrats even more subjective power to deny permits. These changes don't enhance public safety—they create financial and bureaucratic barriers that make it harder for law-abiding citizens like me to exercise our Second Amendment rights.

As an FFL, I see firsthand how these restrictions hurt everyday Oregonians. Delays and higher costs price out working families, young adults starting out, and retirees on fixed incomes who want to purchase a firearm for self-defense, hunting, or sport. My engraving clients often customize guns they've legally owned for years; this bill risks turning honest people into unintentional violators through endless red tape.

My family relies on our firearms for recreation and protection. My children are learning responsibility through supervised range time and hunting trips—values I want to pass on. But bills like HB 4145 treat responsible owners as suspects rather than citizens, while doing nothing to stop criminals who ignore laws entirely.

Oregon deserves policies that target real threats, not pile more burdens on law-abiding gun owners, small business owners like me, fathers, and sportsmen. Please vote NO on HB 4145.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Tony Frost

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