

Submitter:

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On Behalf Of:

Committee:

House Committee On Judiciary

Measure, Appointment or Topic:

HB4145

Dear Representatives,

I wish to state up front that I am strongly opposed to both M114 and this bill 4145 which the gun-grabbers amongst you wish to rush through the legislature! I bring to your attention that I am not a stereotypical "good-old-boy", though in truth, there is nothing wrong (usually) with being one. I am a firearms owner and an occasional target shooter and usually luckless hunter. All of my guns are stored empty and locked up. I personally have never purchased nor possessed a so-called assault rifle.

The proposed FEE increase from \$65 to \$150 is outrageous and surely is meant CHIEFLY to serve as a further deterrent to firearms purchases and ownership.

Why do we need a state-sanctioned firearms instructor to teach citizens how to handle firearms properly and safely? I have been shooting guns since I was 10 years old. My FATHER instructed me how to safely use them, care for them and store them. He was a US Navy combat veteran of WW2 in the Pacific. So that is NOT good enough? Wow.

Regarding the permit to purchase, I ask what other RIGHT in the Oregon or in the U.S. Constitution requires that we get express permission from local or state (or Federal?) POLICE to exercise SAID RIGHT? If this has not been litigated all the way to the U.S. Supreme Court yet, it surely will be, I should think. Some of you or your allies from gun-confiscation advocacy groups will assert, based on selective reading of the published research that this will save lives. Oh really, now? Please see the research paper "Effects of Permit-to-Purchase Laws on State-Level Firearm Murder Rates", Gius, Mark, Atlantic Economic Journal 45, 73-80 (2017). The results of Professor Gius analysis "

I am completely and very strongly opposed to a state-wide (or Federal) registry of gun owners. I believe that this would be a potentially very dangerous move.

The proposal to require all legal challenges to go through the Marion Circuit Court is very, very wrong.