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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Rules

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB4145

I stand in opposition to HB 4145. This legislation will do nothing to reduce gun violence or to make Oregonians safer. In fact, it may have the opposite effect. This legislation embarks every Oregonians who want to aquire a firearm on a long and costly process to aquire the blessings of the State to exercise a right enshrined in both the Oregon and U S Constitution, that is the right to keep and bear arms and to defend one'slife. In addition to the burdensome process, the fees involved that one must pay to exercise one's rights under this legislation to get a permit to purchase a firearm amount to a type of poll tax and will make it difficult for poor and low income individuals to exercise their rights.

As I stated in the beginning, this legislation will do nothing to make our state safer. Criminals will not follow the law and jump through the hoops to get a permit to purchase a firearm and they certainly won't worry about any magazine capacity rule. This legislation in essence gives them the edge over waiting for permit approval unarmed citizens.

Here is something i want every one of our Oregon legislators to keep in mind, if this bill becomes law, the blood of every person injured or killed while waiting on some official someplace to give them permission to exercise a right shall be on the hands of every person who voted yes on this law.

I thank you for your time and trust all will act appropriately and vote NO on this bad peice of proposed legislation.