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On Behalf Of:  
Committee: Senate Committee On Rules  
Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB4145  
Oregon State Senate,

I am a registered Democrat and I voted no on measure 114 and strongly oppose HB4145 for many reasons, which I will try to briefly summarize only a few to the best of my ability.

Permit-to-purchase: Oregon has required background checks for ALL firearms purchases since 2015. A fee to acquire this permit creates a financial burden to exercise one's Constitutional right to bear arms. Apply the same logic to any other Constitutional right: a permit required to go to one's place of worship. A permit required not to be a slave. This financial burden does not take into account what the required "training course" would cost. Additionally, the "permit agent" being a police chief or county sheriff will result in bias against marginalized groups.

Magazine capacity: The definition of "Large-capacity magazines" is inaccurate. The large majority of firearms manufactured and purchased in the US come with a magazine that accepts more than ten rounds of ammunition. These are "standard-capacity" magazines. If there is to be a restriction on magazine capacity, I suggest anything above 30 rounds to be considered "large-capacity". Nearly all detachable magazines are able to be disassembled to facilitate maintenance. The language of this legislation effectively renders all detachable magazines to be outlawed.

Exception for "peace officer": Not only are local police/sheriffs in charge of issuing permits, but they are not bound by this legislation. The people deserve an explanation as to why a peace officer, even retired, is allowed more rights than the public.

HB4145 is one of the most tone-deaf, poorly timed attempts at "common sense" gun law in American history. Our country is currently under siege by a corrupt Federal Government that has funded and unleashed an untrained, unregulated private military force under the guise of "illegal immigration crackdowns". Over two-dozen people have been killed by this arm of the Government, at least two Americans, with no perceived accountability to date. The US Supreme Court has ruled that state and local officials have no affirmative duty to protect the public from harm it did not create. When the citizens can't count on local law enforcement to protect us from fascism, we as citizens must rely on each other. We keep us safe. Vote NO on HB4145.