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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Rules

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB4145

Oregon voters approved Ballot Measure 114 in 2022 because we are horrified at the senseless gun violence occurring daily on our schools, homes, and streets. Ballot Measure 114 does not deprive anyone of his or her Second Amendment rights. Rather, the ballot measure merely requires a permit to be obtained before purchasing a gun, prohibits large capacity magazines which are only useful for killing large numbers of people, and removes prior loopholes which endangered the people of Oregon. This will reduce the senseless rate of homicides and suicides in our State.

HB 4145 - the bill before us at the moment - merely establishes certain procedural clarifications to ensure the smooth rollout of Ballot Measure 114 once the Ballot Measure is finally approved by the Oregon State Supreme Court. A vote for HB 4145 is an affirmation of Measure 114 and of commonsense gun safety. Conversely, a vote against HB 4145 ensures a clumsy and perhaps ineffective rollout of Ballot Measure 114 and further endangers the lives of Oregonians

Please vote to support HB 4145. We owe this to our children and grandchildren. We owe this to innocent bystanders on the street. We owe this to despondent people contemplating suicide. Please vote for this sensible bill to help save the lives of innocent Oregonians.