

Dear esteemed members of the House Judiciary Committee:

Thank you for taking up the important topic of protecting the victims of domestic violence.

As a pediatrician, I know the devastation that domestic violence wreaks on families. When you add a firearm to the mix, the risk that a woman (often a mother) gets killed skyrockets. Furthermore, convicted stalkers are volatile and their terrorizing of their victims turns murderous when the stalker has access to a firearm. **We must prohibit convicted stalkers and *all* perpetrators of domestic violence (including dating partners) from purchasing or possessing firearms.**

Please vote to refer HB4145 to the Oregon House. The courage you show on this bill will save lives.

Thank you,

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