

Honorable Legislators:

I am sending this email to express my STRONG opposition to HB 4145. I am a former Oregon State Police Officer, and I know that this bill closes no loophole and **protects nobody**. It, rather, merely creates an atmosphere and foundation for false accusations, unfair restrictions, loss of Constitutional freedoms by an altering of existing – and viable - Oregon Constitutional Law. It contains definitions of “family and household members” so broad that the purpose is obvious: to cast a huge and indiscriminate net designed to deprive as many persons as possible of their Oregon and United States Constitutional rights, by confiscating firearms from as many people as possible, whether warranted or not. Particularly onerous - among many items - is the concept that this applies to any people “*who have been involved in a sexually intimate relationship.*” Clearly – and from 14 years of personal law enforcement experience - this bill has nothing to do with protecting Oregonians, but rather stripping Oregonians of freedom. I strongly urge you to REJECT HB4151:

Respectfully,

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