Dear Committee Members,

As a resident of Oregon for all of my 66 years, I am quite surprised and dismayed to see that such a foolish bill is even being considered. It is absolutely outrageous! All it does is punish the finest citizens of this state, the law abiding people, while doing absolutely nothing to deter crime.

Criminals are called that because they break the law, and they will certainly not comply with the terms of HB 4005 if it is passed. Just give it some thought. A person who is going to break the laws against armed robbery, assault with a deadly weapon, or murder is sure not going to worry about being prosecuted for failure to keep his gun locked up! The law would not stop criminals from going ahead with whatever crimes they wish to carry out.

All HB 4005 will do is be a serious and dangerous burden to the people who are NOT going to commit crimes, because they are not criminals!

Please vote against this bill and see that future proposed bills actually work against criminals, not honest people!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Hugh Simpson