

Honorable Members of the House,

HB 4005 is going in the wrong direction in so many ways. It is a gun control bill that violates the Second Amendment that is simply a recognition of the freedom of men and women to defend themselves against criminals, bad governments and to enjoy shooting and hunting.

HB 4005 treats regular citizens like me as if we were criminals, stupid, irresponsible, and children. The United States (with eventually Oregon) has a 244-year history of freedom and treating citizens as responsible adults. We have in our Constitution the Second Amendment and do not need nannies in our state governments trying to tell us how to use firearms. Solutions to accidental deaths should include education, a serious examination of drug use, and inspiration, not government increased government controls over our individual lives and micromanaging our behaviors – this is anti-choice and anti-freedom.

Further, where is the empirical evidence that this bill would solve a verified problem with statistically significant reductions in harm to anyone? I think it does not exist. Bad policy comes from bad or shaky evidence.

Please vote and speak out to Stop HB 4005 now.

Sincerely,

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