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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Rules

Measure: HB4131

My house opposes the City of Portland's base bill in HB 4131 - weakening of restrictions on police use of tear gas & munition weapons against protestors & street medics.

Where are the results studying the psychological, physical, societal, and environmental impacts of the large and irresponsible quantities of tear gas used the last couple years amidst a pandemic that transmitted via air? If there is no data to illustrate the positive impacts of these tactics and in fact a wealth of evidence showing the contrary I fail to see any merit in this bill and would like to direct more resources toward answering the questions above, enacting HB 4131-3.

We support the amendment for stronger protections submitted by civil rights advocates in HB 4131-3.