TUESDAY Date: Time: Room: **This meeting will begin at 8:30 AM** Possible Introduction of Committee Measures Public Hearing and Possible Work Session

SB 30 Adds crimes to list of sex crimes requiring person convicted of sex crime or adjudicated for act that constitutes sex crime to register as sex offender after being discharged, paroled or released from correctional or detention facility.

SB 673 Creates crime of patronizing a trafficked child.

SB 786 Expands crime of trafficking in persons to include children for purpose of engaging in commercial sex acts. March 26, 2013 8:30 A.M. HR 343

Attention Legislative Judicial Committee:

Emotronal 12 tng Justice has never been jus money in the Victimo Rights Okayon function that My research into these bills shows me that these bills are not need and that we all ready have more than enough bill covering sex offender issues all every type and the punishments for those crimes are definitely sufficient.

We have 22 members of A.L.E.C. in our legislature and this signals they are working more for corporations than for the citizens of Oregon. - plus others that have connections and do not disclose 4ff; lintion. Instead of compounding the very real problem of sexual abuse in our communities, I would hope you

Instead of compounding the very real problem of sexual abuse in our communities, I would hope you realize your responsibility to use the extensive body of research that exists on sex offenders and sex-offender policies, not tragic isolated incidents, to craft legislation.

Convicted sex offenders, are fortunately just as rare as the high-profile cases of rape and murder of children on which current sex-offender laws are based. It's understandable to feel anger and sadness in response to these heinous crimes, and why laws in response are championed repeatedly by lawmakers and certain victim advocacy groups. But the uncomfortable reality is that myth and emotion based policies have actually done very little to protect children and communities. They make us "feel good," and that's about it.

Recidivism rates of convicted sex offenders are very low and have been prior to registration and notification laws. Ninety-five percent of children are abused by family members or trusted acquaintances, not strangers. "Outing" thousands of former sex offenders who have done their time and

are now leading lawabiding lives will not only cause job and home loss (both linked to increased chance of recidivism) - the safety and welfare of the family members and minor children of these offenders will also be put directly at risk.

November 2012 study by Dr. Jill Levenson - a noted sex offender policy researcher - found that the conviction based risk designations mandated by AWA do not predict recidivism as well as the risk-assessment tools currently used by most states.

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News outlets have a responsibility, much like lawmakers, to paint the whole picture - especially when it comes to such an important topic. It was irresponsible for the The Oregonian to portray such a narrow scope of information and insights on this proposal, especially when so much is available. I strongly urge Oregon residents to demand the whole truth.

We need jobs in the State of Oregon but we do not need any more law enforcement jobs. We have all ready become a police state and most opening are in some sector of law. TSA, Homeland Security, Sheriff's Office, Police Officers, guards at various jails and prisons, porole officers, guards at various jails and prisons.

With dollars short we need to use our money wisely and that means being statesman and doing what we something that may not be happening around this country? Stop making new laws to put more people all a in prison but rescind some of these laws that are useless, expensive and harm families. Some of the Listed Chimes would be better use A health issue.

We do not need more money in law enforcement but we do need more money in schools. Education protects children their whole life.

The sex offender registry, which is a "Pre-Crime" regulation LAW demands a person let the State of Oregon know exactly every move they make when they have all ready paid for the crime. This is an outrage and on its face a fallacy. Sex offenders have always had low re-offense rates even before these laws were put into place.

I suggest you remove the registration requirements which are expensive, put an extra burden on the Sheriff's department and put huge hardships on families of a person that had previously committed a sex crime.

Give these families in these harsh financial times an opportunity to keep their heads above water and have some stresses put on them with these labels removed. $\Re e m \circ \partial e$

There are Child Advocacy groups that support and are aware of the ineffectiveness of these requirements, burdens on families and the needless worry or fear put into the communities that takes away their feelings of comfort and safety because of the constant salacious news coverage when someone does not or is not able to get to the place to register on time.

The media has helped sell the idea that there is danger and that it is not to protect children but to make money because it is always about the bottom line in Capitalism.

1. Remove registration requirements immediately. Give people a chance to live a decent life.

2. Remove the requirement for any and all applications to require you check a box whether you have ever committed a crime. Once someone has paid their debt to society they should be able to regain all their rights and have an opportunity to have a good life. get a job, flace to live, buy a home 3. Plea Agreement Should be aboli shed, Evidence should be chared Many crimes such as robbery, burglary are caused because of hopeless situation where education is too Many crimes are unavailable and that is what is left.

Oregon can again be a leader in tough times and cut back on policing and add to the education and job opportunities in areas that advance communities. This is the bast way to become

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* Book's Sex Panic and the Panitive State by Roger n. Lancaster,