

From the desk of Rep. Jeff Barker

HB 3279 STATEMENT

Disability Rights Oregon believes that workers with disabilities are entitled to be receive the same protections and rights as any other worker.

The protections provided by HB 3279 to help prevent sexual assault of janitorial workers should, of course, apply equally to workers with disabilities regardless of the organization they work for.

The assertion that individuals who work for Qualified Rehabilitation Facilities (QRFs) should receive less protection from exploitation and attack is repugnant to the state policy of equal rights and the need for protection of vulnerable workers.