

To Chair Prozanski, Vice Chair Thatcher, and Members of the Committee on Senate Judiciary:

I am a resident of Oregon and supporter of sexual assault survivors. I care about this topic dearly.

Why is this Bill Important :

Having sexual assault survivors go back to court to renew their restraining orders annually is traumatic and retraumatizing. This restraining order needs to be extended.

Protecting vulnerable people, children, survivors of repeat sexual assault offenders, survivors of sexual assault by family is important and their protection deserves to be permanent.

What does it remedy:

It prevents the responsibility of keeping themselves safe from falling exclusively on the sexual assault survivors. We should do all we can to help those who are vulnerable in our community.

It protects the most vulnerable in the community, especially those who have jobs that do not allow them to take days off to go to court.

My position on this Bill is that I support it and I would like it to get passed.

I support SB 482 along with it's "-1" amendment.

Link to Bill: <https://olis.leg.state.or.us/liz/2019R1/Measures/Overview/SB482>

Thank you Chair Prozanski, Vice Chair Thatcher and Members of the Committee on Senate Judiciary for your time and attention to this matter.

Best,
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