

To: House Committee on Judiciary
RE: Support for HB 3265

August 2020 is an important date.

On that day, the Board of Northern Oregon Regional Correctional Facilities (NORCOR) voted to begin the process of terminating its contract with ICE.

NORCOR was the last remaining jail in Oregon to have such a contract.

In November, 2018, more than 60% of Oregon voters affirmed the 1987 "Sanctuary Law".

So, with its historic vote, NORCOR became aligned with the will of the Oregon people and with the operations of other jails in the state.

Over 3 years earlier, citizens throughout the region and state had begun to work towards ending the jail's relationship with ICE.

The reason: WE DID NOT WANT OUR JAIL TO ALSO BE A PRISON FOR IMMIGRANTS.

While no contracts with ICE currently exist in Oregon jails, we know that at any time NORCOR or any other jail could resume such contracting.

HB 3265 could end entanglement with federal immigration detention.

HB 3265 will clarify the state's role in every aspect of federal immigration policy and practices.

Support HB 3265!

NOW is the time!

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