I am a member of AAUW of Oregon and would like to give testimony on House Bill 2938.

Age Discrimination Task Force Bill (House Bill 2938)

It is an unfortunate fact that workplace discrimination based on age is routinely practiced throughout Oregon and the US. This occurs despite the fact that we know that older employees bring proven job and leadership experience to any workplace. This age discrimination hurts all Oregonians, but it is especially hurtful to women because they are the ones who often have taken on the tasks of child rearing and care-giving and therefore may have gaps in their employment history requiring them to keep working.

All Oregonians despite their age deserve full and equal access to employment opportunities. Therefore, I support the passage of House Bill 2938 which sets up a Task Force to study age discrimination in the workplace.

Sincerely,

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