## TAWNA SANCHEZ STATE REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 43 NORTH AND NORTHEAST PORTLAND



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To Chair Prozanski and Members of the Senate Judiciary Committee,

As a former member of the Oregon Supreme Court Council on Inclusion and Fairness, I appreciate the Oregon Judicial Department submitting this bill, and am pleased to add my support. I think we all believe in equal treatment under the law, but currently lack a way to demonstrate equity within our system. We have made some important steps in doing that, and passing this bill is needed to protect the people who are willing to share their personal information, and allow the courts, the legislature, and all Oregonians to learn more. I appreciate the commitment of three Chief Justice in supporting the work of the Oregon Supreme Court Council Inclusion and Fairness, and I urge you to pass SB 243.

It is imperative we continue to develop a system that supports all Oregonians and ensures that going forward, equity is centered in our justice system. I believe SB 243 is a step in the right direction.

Sincerely,

Representative Tawna Sanchez