



HB 2806 Testimony in support on behalf of AOC- Association of Oregon Counties  
House Committee on Emergency Management, General Government and Veterans  
February 14, 2023

Dear Chair Grayber, Vice Chair Lewis, Vice Chair Tran and members of the House Committee on Emergency Management, General Government and Veterans:

My name is Anna Braun from Dalton Advocacy on testifying on behalf of the Association of Oregon Counties. The AOC legislative committee voted to support this concept on Feb 6, 2023. **(AOC) strongly supports HB 2806.**

As I'm sure committee members are aware. Cybersecurity attacks that target local government are increasing and they are increasingly expensive.

HB 2806 is necessary to ensure counties can withhold this sensitive information. Public bodies need clear guidance confirming that their governing bodies can meet in executive session to discuss cybersecurity matters without running the risk of making their jurisdictions networks, systems and data more vulnerable in the process by having to publicly disclose those deliberations.

In addition to supporting HB 2806, AOC also supports HB 2490 which is a similar bill that creates a public records exemption for cybersecurity plans, devices and systems, including contractual and insurance records. We encourage the committee to consider that bill soon.

Thank you.

Anna Braun

On behalf of AOC Governance, Revenue and Veterans subcommittee

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