



Salem Capital Pride

Written Testimony for House Bill 4086



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Re: Salem Capital Pride Testimony in Opposition to House Bill 4086

Dear Chair Reynolds and Members of the House Committee on Early Childhood and Human Services,

Salem Capital Pride appreciates the opportunity to submit the following testimony against House Bill 4086.

Salem Capital Pride seeks to elevate the voices of the LGBTQIA+ and other minority communities in the central Willamette Valley and provide opportunities for the promotion of and advocacy for those communities and our allies.

Salem Capital Pride is in opposition of this bill because the bill seeks to limit the scope of investigation of child abuse based on the child abuse suspect's relationship with or access to the suspected abused child.

It is the belief of Salem Capital Pride that no such limitation should exist as listed in section 1(11) to ensure that those who are perpetrators of child abuse or suspected perpetrators of child abuse are all investigated regardless of their relationship with and access to the suspected abused child. It is our concern that such limitations may inadvertently result in the perpetrator or suspected perpetrator of child abuse going free.

Salem Capital Pride urges the committee to remove section 1(11) from this bill.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely, Salem Capital Pride