

**Testimony Submitted by
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Regarding: Support for HB 2709

Chair Sosa, Vice-Chair Chaichi, Vice-Chair Osborne, and Members of the Committee,

For the record, my name is Angela Donley. I appreciate the opportunity to provide testimony in support of HB 2709 on behalf of Oregon Consumer Justice.

Oregon Consumer Justice (OCJ) envisions a vibrant future where all Oregonians live with dignity and abundance and experience health, joy, and economic opportunity. We work collaboratively across policy and advocacy, community engagement, and the law, to realize a more just and equitable Oregon where people come first. For too long, flawed systems and policies have stood in the way of this reality, with communities of color most often experiencing significant harm. Informed by consumer insights, OCJ works to make financial and business transactions reliably safe and supports Oregonians in knowing and exercising their consumer rights.

Consumers deserve assurance that the products they purchase will do what they advertise.

HB 2709 prohibits sellers of warranties from charging someone for an extended warranty unless they are certain the person's car is covered. Oregon Consumer Justice supports further conversation on this issue to ensure that consumers are fully aware of warranty coverage before they buy it.

Thank you for your consideration and your service in building the future that Oregonians deserve.