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**OREGON STATE SENATE**

February 28th, 2025

TO: House Committee on Judiciary

RE: Support for HB 2299

Chair Kropf, Vice Chairs Chotzen and Wallan, and Members of the Committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to share my support for House Bill 2299, which reclassifies the charges of unlawful dissemination of intimate images. I currently serve as the State Senator for Senate District 15 in Western Washington County, which includes Forest Grove, Cornelius, Hillsboro, and the Rock Creek area.

Achievements in technology and AI have outpaced the evolution of our laws, creating a significant gap that leaves individuals vulnerable to the inappropriate use of sensitive materials without their consent. “Sextortion” schemes, which are increasingly prevalent in the digital age, come with a rise in mental health issues, including teen suicide.

Between 2022 and 2023 approximately 20,000 AI-generated images of children were posted online. The violation of having fabricated, inappropriate, or nude images of yourself or of your child, being shared online is a devastating experience that no one should endure. Yet, as these incidents continue to grow, current laws provide limited resources for District Attorneys to take meaningful actions. This issue is widespread and requires urgent action.

HB 2299 seeks to address this by updating the Oregon unlawful dissemination of intimate images statute. It explicitly includes digitally created, manipulated, or altered depictions that are reasonably realistic, ensuring that victims of AI generated deepfakes receive the same legal protections as those harmed by other forms of online sexual harassment. I have heard from a constituent in my district, who stressed how incredibly important this bill is. By passing HB 2299, we can better protect Oregonians from malicious attacks and prevent extortion from intimate deepfakes. For these reasons, I urge your support.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Janeen Sollman". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Senator Janeen Sollman  
Senate District 15