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Dear Sen Gorsek, Co-Chair, Representative McLain Co-Chair, Members of the Joint Committee on Transportation

My name is Glenna Hayes and I have lived in Oregon for 14 years, and a driver for 18 years. I also work in disability justice/advocacy which has given me the privilege of hearing a variety of lived experiences and needs. I believe including this type of information on documents of all kinds helps decrease miscommunications over all. When miscommunications happen conflict and fights happen. If this was listed on someone's registration and they got pulled over I believe this would help those miscommunications drastically. People forget that limited English proficiency isn't just about non-English speakers, this also includes people with intellectual/developmental disabilities. I can see this providing a better safety net for those folks who cannot speak, or do not understand police commands when being pulled over so they are not hurt or killed due to fear/misunderstanding. I hope that when this bill passes there is some inclusion of education and training for police officers and others who interact with registration documents so they know how to utilize it properly.

Please pass HB2739 to make documentation more accessible and prevent further miscommunications due to language barriers.