On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Judiciary

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3839

Chair Kropf and members of the House Committee on the Judiciary I ask you to vote against HB 3839. This is an unnecessary piece of legislation that puts Oregon citizens at risk of harm. It is important that we protect children from danger. There are laws in place that allow for background searches before people visit schools. Level 1 and 2 (low level) sex offenders have been carefully vetted and are known to be at little or no risk of reoffending. These are not the people who may harm us or our children. They are people who have returned to society after paying for their offense and who have undergone extensive treatment. If confidential information about them becomes available, their employment and housing may be at risk. Additionally, they become targets of vigilantism.

Please vote against this unnecessary piece of legislation, support current background check rules, and protect all Oregonians.

Thank you,

Scott Strickland