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On Behalf Of:
Committee: Senate Committee On Judiciary
Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB149
Subject: Support for SB 149

To: Senate Committee On Judiciary

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Dear Chair Prozanski, Vice-Chair Thatcher and Members of the Committee,

My name is John K. Ostrom. I live in Eugene, OR. I am writing in strong support of SB 149. This bill is so important to me because it is designed to improve access to essential support services for newly arrived immigrants and refugees in Oregon.

I support its goal to make sure that when someone new arrives in the state, they can quickly connect to the help they need, which includes emergency housing, school enrollment, and healthcare, so they can begin building stable, productive lives in their new communities.

SB 149 helps ensure that no one falls through the cracks during one of the most vulnerable times in their life and it strengthens the systems that make Oregon a welcoming place for all.

I urge you to support SB 149 which addresses critical support for refugees and immigrants in Oregon!

Thank you for your service in the Oregon Legislature.

Sincerely,

John K. Ostrom
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