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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Judiciary

Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB149

My name is Madeleine Cole and I am a constituent from Eugene OR. I am writing to express my support for SB 149. This bill helps ensure that newly arrived immigrants and refugees do not fall through the cracks during one of the most vulnerable times in their lives. It strengthens the systems we have in place that make Oregon a welcoming place for all.

Immigrants and refugees deserve to arrive in Oregon and be welcomed into a dignified, safe environment. This especially crucial in the current hostile political climate. We need to do everything we can to support the people who make our communities stronger and more culturally rich, which is why I support expanding the definition of who is eligible to receive state-funded case support that is typically reserved only for refugees.

Thank you, Madeleine Cole 582 Blackfoot Ave Eugene, OR 97404