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15 years ago, I was working as a police officer and was working a public order event. I took police action, and in the 20 minutes it took me to get to my car, I was doxxed. This was before this was an activity which was common. I had well over 50 messages on my personal phone. Most chillingly, many voices were stating the name of my wife, my child, their place of work and school, and that they would rape them when I was at work. Shortly after, a man in North Carolina found the Dox with my address and gave a credible threat to come to my home and murder my family. For a year, I had a panic alarm in my home, and I had to explain a safety plan to my wife for while I was at work.

Since that time, doxxing has become a common weapon used against police officers, public officials, and anyone in the public square to intimidate and scare officials from doing their work. It is unacceptable, and should be a criminal act. It extends beyond free speech, and is instead threatening and prohibits the freedom of public servants.

ORCOPS stands in solidarity with all public servants in asking that this common sense public safety legislation allow to demonstrate that in Oregon, we do not allow threats of violence and fear to prevent the freedom of our public servants to carry out the will of their voters and community.

Thank you for your consideration.