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To: Joint Committee On Information Management and Technology

From: Chief Mark Daniel, President Oregon Association Chiefs of Police

> Tim Svenson, Executive Director Oregon State Sheriffs' Association

Date: March 11, 2025

Re: HB 3592 - Testimony in Support Oregon Commission on Artificial Intelligence

Co-Chair Nathanson, Co-Chair Woods and members of the committee,

On behalf of the Oregon Association Chiefs of Police (OACP) and the Oregon State Sheriffs' Association (OSSA), we write to express our strong support for **House Bill 3592**, which would establish the **Oregon Commission on Artificial Intelligence** to serve as a central resource for monitoring and guiding the responsible use of artificial intelligence (AI) across the state.

As law enforcement professionals, we recognize both the **enormous potential** and the **serious implications** associated with the deployment of AI technologies. From crime prevention tools and data analysis to facial recognition and automated systems, AI is increasingly becoming part of the public safety landscape. It is imperative that these tools are deployed ethically, transparently, and in ways that respect civil liberties, public trust, and due process.

House Bill 3592 provides a much-needed framework to help Oregon navigate the evolving role of AI in public and private sectors. By establishing a multidisciplinary commission and appointing a **Chief Artificial Intelligence Officer** within the Office of the State Chief Information Officer, this measure ensures that AI-related decisions are guided by expert oversight, stakeholder input, and a long-term vision.

We are particularly encouraged by the bill's emphasis on:

- **Centralized monitoring** of AI technologies to ensure consistency, fairness, and accountability.
- Annual reporting to the Legislature that can inform future laws and policies.
- **Cross-sector collaboration**, allowing law enforcement, civil rights advocates, technologists, and community members to work together on emerging challenges and opportunities.
- A commitment to **transparency and public safety** as Oregon integrates AI into government operations.

We believe this proactive approach will help Oregon stay ahead of rapid technological change, safeguard the rights of Oregonians, and promote innovation that aligns with our shared values.

For these reasons, the Oregon Association Chiefs of Police and the Oregon State Sheriffs' Association respectfully urge your **support for HB 3592**.