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On Behalf Of: Oregon Care Home Council
Committee: Senate Committee On Labor and Business
Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3789

Chair and Members of the Committee,

I am writing today in strong opposition to House Bill 3789, which was introduced at the urging of SEIU, and appears to be part of a larger, coordinated effort to silence dissent and discredit organizations like the Freedom Foundation, who have consistently defended the rights of small business owners, care providers, and workers who wish to remain independent from union influence.

SEIU claims this bill is about protecting the public from impersonation or misinformation. However, it is evident to those of us working on the front lines of Oregon's long-term care industry that HB 3789 is a retaliatory and politically motivated attempt to delegitimize criticism and to intimidate those who oppose SEIU's aggressive unionization agenda—especially in relation to HB 3838.

This union has shown it is willing to go to extraordinary and unethical lengths to smear anyone who challenges their narrative or stands in the way of their goals.

They have made false statements, misrepresented facts before legislators, and used their influence to mislead representatives into believing that adult care home providers were included in discussions around HB 3838—when in fact we were not consulted in any meaningful way.

House Bill 3789 is not about public protection—it is about power. It is about giving a politically connected union the legal tools to target and harass individuals and organizations who oppose their efforts to unionize small, independent care homes that operate on an entirely different model from large long-term care facilities. SEIU's willingness to drag the names of good people and respected organizations through the mud for their own gain is deeply troubling and should raise serious concerns for every lawmaker who believes in transparency, fairness, and democratic participation. We cannot allow SEIU to use the Oregon legislature as a weapon to silence opposition, stifle free speech, and advance a narrative built on coercion and deception.

HB 3789 is an assault on open civic discourse, and it sets a dangerous precedent for targeting political opponents through legislation.

I urge you to reject House Bill 3789 and to stand up for the rights of Oregon's small business owners, care providers, and independent voices across the state.

Respectfully,

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