

Frankly, SB 238 A is a rather terrifying bill to be considered in light of the current threats to Due Process we are witnessing at the federal level.

Allowing law enforcement to conduct aerial surveillance of Oregonians with ill-defined and loose limitations - even as amended - is unconstitutional. ORS 837.320 already allows law enforcement to act to protect public safety and enforce the law including in exigent circumstances.

I fully support law enforcement in Oregon and believe me, I appreciate them more than most. My son is an OSP state trooper and a member of the statewide SWAT team and Explosives Unit. My daughter is an OSP forensic scientist and crime scene analyst. I am very familiar with the work they do, the equipment they use, and the laws that allow them to carry out necessary search warrants. They ARE currently able to do what is necessary. Oregon law allows for it.

SB 238 would take us into territory that is truly frightening, threatening out personal liberty and constitutional protections.

Please focus instead on getting bills that promote community protection through trust and cooperation passed – such as [HB 5014](#) for Community Violence Intervention Funding.

Thank you,
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