Testimony Against SB-238

To Oregon State Legislature:

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Thank you for accepting my testimony. I would like it on record that I am absolutely opposed to SB-238. In these times especially, it is essential that our judicial branch of government oversee any activity that could harm citizens, or otherwise infringe on their rights. There must be clear and judicious involvement withing the spirit of our democracy, including time to consider facts and context, before any such actions can be considered. Drones are used to impact large numbers of people. By their very nature, they are not focusing in on criminal elements, but on communities of people. This is not something to be unleashed on the people of the State of Oregon at will. One exception to a group criminal element would be an activity such as the January 6th insurrection. In this instance, it is clear that there was intel well before the violence began that would have given courts the time to weigh in on the violence that ensued, and determine if drones would be in the best interest of the laws and safety of our people and our nation. Even in that case, there would have been no reason for SB-238. In closing, I say absolutely no to SB-238 or any such bills.

Thank you for your time.

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