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I write to you today as a citizen deeply concerned about the threat of civil liberties in Oregon if SB 238 is adopted, and I urge you to vote against this.

This bill's vague language would allow drone monitoring of community gatherings, neighborhoods and private property without judicial oversight. We are witnessing law enforcement weaponizing and undermining our rights of free speech and expression, the right to privacy, assembly and movement.

Allowing additional surveillance will put our community at risk. The amended SB 238 would provide a legislative blank check for law enforcement. This would risk increasing existing biases in law enforcement with targeted surveillance, over policing and mass incarceration of Black, Indigenous and other people of color. This is a huge threat to our privacy, safety and constitutional rights.

Please vote no on SB 238 and protect civil rights in Oregon.

Sincerely,
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