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SJR203

I Oppose SJR 203!

There are so many people who are rioting and destroying this state that wear masks! Take a look at the so-called "protests" and those who begin property destruction from groups like antifa.... they wear masks.

Our officers deserve better in this state. This bill limits flexibility for law enforcement officers who may need to wear masks for safety reasons, such as protection from chemical exposure, infectious disease, smoke, or credible threats to themselves or their families.

This measure risks unintended consequences to law enforcement officers who might also be working in sensitive situations such as undercover operations, riots, organized crime, or violent threats that may cause them to become targets if they are required to show identifying information at all times. This could put officers and their families at risk.

Sending this issue to voters oversimplifies a very complex topic. A constitutional amendment does not allow room for careful adjustments or future improvements.

If this legislative body seeks to address police accountability, there are other ways to do this and that would be through thoughtful and flexible training, instead of a permanent constitutional change.

Please concentrate on lowering the cost of living in this state, attracting businesses, and complying with federal law. Oregonians deserve better than this!