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SB 1587 - Data Privacy

Chair, Vice Chair, and Members of the Committee, my name is Representative Lamar Wise from HD 48 SE Portland and North Clackamas, and I am proud to be a sponsor of Senate Bill 1587.

At its core, SB 1587 is about a simple principle: Oregonians' personal data should not be sold or weaponized to enforce civil laws without due process.

Today, data brokers collect, aggregate, and sell highly sensitive personal information, often without an individual's knowledge or consent. SB 1587 draws a clear and necessary boundary by prohibiting data brokers from providing that data when they have reason to believe it will be used to enforce civil law, unless there is a valid court order.

- This bill does not prevent lawful investigations.
- It does not block compliance with judicial warrants.
- And it does not interfere with criminal enforcement.

What it does is reaffirm a bedrock value: access to personal data for civil enforcement must go through the courts. That judicial check matters. It protects privacy, prevents abuse, and ensures accountability.

SB 1587 also gives the law real teeth. It authorizes enforcement by the Department of Consumer and Business Services, allows civil penalties for violations, and ensures that individuals whose data is improperly shared have a meaningful right to seek relief.

For communities across Oregon, particularly immigrants, workers, tenants, and families already facing power imbalances, this bill offers reassurance that their personal information cannot be quietly sold and used against them outside the rule of law.

Finally, the emergency clause reflects the urgency of the moment. The data broker industry is moving faster than our protections, and Oregonians should not have to wait for their privacy to be compromised before we act.

SB 1587 is about due process, privacy, and public trust. I urge your support.

Thank you.