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This testimony is submitted by Justice Advocates, a grassroots organization in the Portland area that works for the elimination of unfair and harmful practices by police, courts, and prisons. Oregonians have the right to know who the law enforcement agency or individual is that is hindering them from an action, or arresting them. If the enforcers don't follow policy or if they commit unnecessary violence, we should be able to hold them accountable. If they are masked and have no ID, we would not be able to do so. We could also end up in the hands of anyone dressed up as law enforcement in order to commit a crime. This has happened and led to violence against the victim. Masked policing should not be a policy of a democracy.