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To: Senate Committee on Judiciary
From: Martha Sonato, Oregon Law Center
Re: Support for SB 1587-4
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Chair Prozanski, Vice-Chair Thatcher, and members of the committee

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in support for SB 1587-4 on behalf of the Oregon Law Center (OLC).

OLC is a civil legal aid organization that provides high-quality legal services, free of charge, to low-income Oregonians statewide. Our clients, including immigrant client communities, come to our organization on a range of issues impacting their lives – from housing to DVSA issues.

We are living in a time when questions about the scope of governmental authority, particularly in the context of federal immigration enforcement, are creating uncertainty, deep fear, and concern in broader communities across the state.

Due to the deep fear, we are witnessing in our communities, OLC has been working to ensure that existing legal protections are consistently upheld across the state, and to collaboratively address any gaps that put Oregonians at risk. Data privacy and sharing is a long-standing concern for us in many areas – from healthcare arenas to public benefits systems, housing services, and other state-local interfaces where personal information can be accessed, transferred, or misused without sufficient safeguards.

SB 1587-4 brings an additional layer of protection when it comes to public bodies disclosing personally identifiable information to data brokers. This bill would require a written attestation from the data broker that the information will not be sold or transferred to an entity for the purposes of federal immigration enforcement. It provides the public body with the ability to decline to disclose personally identifiable information if there is a reasonable belief that the data broker's written attestation contains material misrepresentations. In short, this bill will help Oregonians limit the sharing of our state's data to brokers who could then share the information with agencies who are enforcing federal immigration law.

Oregon strives to be a welcoming state and encourages immigrant families to participate and thrive in their communities. Oregon has taken big steps in that direction with access to driver licenses and state ID card and health care. This bill would help

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protect that information and help immigrant Oregonians have confidence when interacting with the state by providing private, sensitive information.

SB 1587-4 is part of the 2026 Immigrant Justice Package and is backed by a broad coalition of immigrant justice advocates, civil liberties groups, unions, and community-based organizations.

We urge the committee to pass SB 1597-4 with a due pass recommendation.

Sincerely,
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