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I am testifying in support of SB 1516. As an Asian American living in Oregon, this bill impacts my and my family's ability to feel safe directly. In 2012, my mom's house in Eugene, OR was burglarized by a group of people who fled and were never caught. A substantial amount of inventory was taken away before her neighbor forced the burglars to flee at gunpoint. She lives in a wealthy area up in the southwest hills where we never imagined there to be an issue with crime. I remember fear as I left my mom to live alone while I was in college despite being told by the local PD that burglars don't hit the same house twice. Her neighbor got her pepper spray and I convinced her to get a dog, but none of our family members felt 100% as secure as we used to in that house. While this bill will not bring that secure feeling to 100%, it will definitely help. It will also hopefully allow the group to think twice about targeting a home in our community if their chances of fleeing is at risk.