

Mr. Brennan: please convey to the Business and Transportation Committee members my request for them to approve the subject bill. I looked at the text of the bill after reading the op-ed in the Oregonian today by Mr. LaMountain, OFIR. Quite frankly, I found the op-ed insulting and racist. SB 833 does not use the term "illegal immigrant" as the OFIR (and their parent organization FAIR) does. (Note: I researched OFIR on the internet and easily found the connection to FAIR.)

I agree with the intent of SB 833 to provide a valid driver's license to certain persons who comply with the conditions of such license. Passage of the bill will not "attract illegal immigrants" to Oregon, as claimed in the OFIR op-ed. As far as I know, the State of Oregon is not responsible for enforcing the immigration laws of the federal government. SB 833 will, in my opinion, help working members of our community. Period.

Thank you for passing this along to the Committee.

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