

**Presentation to the Legislative committee on Feb. 28<sup>th</sup> 2013 regarding  
HR 2549 - Directs Department of Corrections to establish risk  
assessment tool applicable to sex offenders**

After having heard what was presented today, the only thing that I can say about it is that the Oregon Sex Offender Registry Law is a SHAM and a FRAUD perpetrated on the citizens of Oregon by the Oregon legislature over the last two decades. It has been shown, over and over again, to be based NOT on hard criminal statistics or by considering the opinions of experts in the field of sex offender treatment. We've all heard before that the federal government and dozens of individual state sex offender re-offense rate statistics continue to tell us to no avail that:

1. Previously convicted Sex offenders have extremely low re-offense rates.
2. The vast numbers of new sex crimes in general are committed by people NOT on the SOR list.
3. The vast numbers of new sex crimes committed against children are committed by people already known to the child (the babysitter, the step dad, the church minister)

And yet, we continue to talk about the GOALS of the SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY as if I had said nothing at all. Because the SOR laws are based on FICTIONS of the SEX OFFENDER STRANGER DANGER, then it should be said that the Citizens of Oregon have been CHEATED out of the TRUTH regarding how Oregon Families can protect their children. Again, the hard criminal facts tell us that it is NOT the GUY ON THE SOR List that should hold your attention – but instead it is the ACT of SEX OFFENDING in Oregon Family Households where over 90% of the sex crimes are committed.

If Oregon legislators, past and present, were ACTUALLY doing their jobs, we would not have a Sex Offender Registry in Oregon at all. And besides, the SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY is grotesquely Anti-Democratic, it is on its face Anti-Constitutional, it is Anti-Family, Anti-Truth and is little more than a Public Shaming System that forces previously convicted sex offenders to be endlessly degraded and humiliated.

The Big Question is WHAT SHOULD be done about sex crimes in Oregon?

1. Increase the focus on Sex Offending in the Family and away from the VERY misleading Sex Offender Strangers on the Sex Offender Registry.
2. Abolish or Vastly Reform the Sex offender Registry because of its many defects, false assumptions and part of the highly manipulated public safety issues that are almost entirely base on FEAR and PANIC instead of FACTS and REASON.
3. Redirect monies flowing to support the SOR law system and point it toward massive public education so that parents can properly focus attention on the real source of potential sex offending in their families.

4. If the three previously mentioned crime facts about sex offending were taken seriously then would we likely see new legislation that would REPEAL the Sex Offender Registry in a heartbeat. But I think it is obvious that politicians who have invested in the selling of Sex Offender fears is that they DO NOT THESE , INCONVIENENT FACTS to get in the way of their politics. But all that seems to MATTER are the on-going political benefits of supporting the Sex Offender Registry Fear and Panic laws to the vastly uninformed citizens in their districts.

But the question is: How do we solve the problem of sex offending in Oregon? If we were truly serious about this we WOULD HAVE public monies redirected away from the Sex Offender Registry program completely and have it go to work into as a series of massive public education campaigns that would tell FUTURE PARENTS about the truth about the Governments Failed SEX OFFENDER Registry laws and it was a COMPLETE FRAUD in the first place and that the CONTINUING crimes of SEX OFFENDING in the FAMILY were barely addressed at all.

In other words, in a NO SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY WORLD, we would be educating the public about the REAL FACTS about SEX OFFENDING and NOT SEX OFFENDERS. People who commit crimes should be held accountable and when that is complete then they should become fully restored citizens again. That's the way democratic societies do things – with a eye towards equality under the law.

But we in the public are catching on. More and more of us are discovering that it is YOU here holding Oregon Legislative Office who are the primary beneficiaries of these SOR Law – Not the public. It is your Fear-based Public Safety Campaigns Against Previously Convicted Sex Offenders that Ignores the Realities of Today's Sex Offending within the Family.

Thank you.

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The Oregon Sex Offender Registration Laws

Source: Federal Bureau of Criminal Statistics and summarized at <http://www.oncefallen.com/SOMyths.html>

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