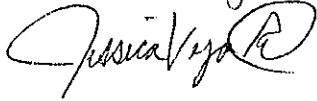


from the desk of
Rep. Jessica Vega Pederson



Relating to: SB 833

**Oregon's Law Enforcement, Business, Labor,
Social Services, Faith and Community leaders
Support SB 833B**

We are a diverse group of interests all of whom are committed to the public safety and economic welfare of the State of Oregon. We encourage you to support SB 833B, which would create a driver card for all who reside in our State. This bipartisan public safety bill will save lives and significantly reduce the fiscal impact on motorists caused by uninsured and unlicensed drivers.

Senate Bill 833B is a public safety measure designed to improve traffic safety and reduce the number of unlicensed and uninsured motorists on Oregon's roads.

All Oregonians, regardless of status, need to be able to take a test, know the rules of the road, and be able to get to their jobs. This is a public safety issue and Oregon should do all it can to make sure our roads are safe, our motorists licensed and insured, and to ensure that people prove who they are and know how to drive.

We need all residents of the State of Oregon to be able fully to participate in the economy. Senate Bill 833B was crafted by a diverse group of interests and is narrowly constructed to obtain one stated goal – allowing folks to get to work, to their place of worship, to school, and to participate in commerce. We feel that SB 833B is a common-sense approach to the Oregon Driver License issue.

This legislation is important because it helps those in our community, particularly the elderly, who were born at home rather than at a hospital, and cannot provide a birth certificate. It allows those emerging from homelessness to re-enter the workforce and society, although it requires all applicants to prove residency in Oregon for at least a year. It also is important for veterans because it would permit our decorated and honorable servicemen and servicewomen to use their military documents in the application process.

The bill pays for itself through its fee structure, which includes a 4-year renewal cycle and utilizes modern technology of facial recognition to prevent fraud. The driver card does not confer eligibility for any State benefits for which the person would not otherwise be eligible.

There are important public safety, social, and economic reasons to pass this bill, and we urge you to vote YES on SB 833B.

Please see below the 85 individuals and groups that support SB 833B

Agricultural Cooperative Council of Oregon
 American Civil Liberties Union of Oregon
 American Immigration Lawyers Association (Oregon)
 Asian Pacific American Network of Oregon
 Associated General Contractors
 Associated Oregon Industries
 Associated Oregon Loggers
 Benton County District Attorney John Haroldson
 Bishop Dave Brauer-Rieke, Oregon Synod – ELCA
 CAPACES Leadership Institute
 Catholic Charities
 CAUSA
 Center for Intercultural Organizing
 Centro Latino Americano
 Chancellor Mary Jo Tully, Archdiocese of Portland
 City of Portland Police Chief Mike Reese
 Columbia Gorge Fruit Growers Association
 JOIN: Connecting a street to a home
 Justice Paul DeMuniz (Retired Chief Justice)
 Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon
 Hillsboro Police Chief Ron Louie
 Hispanic Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce
 Latino Business Alliance
 Latino Network
 Latinos Unidos Siempre
 Mano a Mano Family Center
 Multnomah County Chair Jeff Cogan
 NW Food Processors Association
 Oregon Action
 Oregon AFL-CIO
 Oregon Association of Nurseries
 Oregon Blueberry Commission
 Oregon Business Association
 Oregon Catholic Conference
 Oregon Commission for Women
 Oregon Commission on Asian & Pacific Islander Affairs
 Oregon Commission on Black Affairs
 Oregon Commission on Hispanic Affairs
 Oregon Dairy Farmers Association
 Oregon DREAMers
 Oregon Essential Oil Growers League
 Oregon Farm Bureau Federation

Oregon Fresh Market Growers Association
 Oregon Health Equity Alliance
 Oregon Home Builders Association
 Oregon Landscape Contractors Association
 Oregon Latino Agenda for Action
 Oregon Latino Health Coalition
 Oregon Law Center
 Oregon Restaurant & Lodging Association
 Oregonians for Food and Shelter
 Oregon Wheat Growers League
 Oregon Winegrowers Association
 Pacific NW Christmas Tree Association
 Partnership for Safety and Justice
 Pastor Matt Hennessee, Vancouver Ave 1st Baptist Church
 PCUN (Piñeros y Campesinos Unidos del Noroeste)
 Rev. Dr. Walter John Boris, United Church of Christ
 Rev. Lorne Bostwick, Central Presbyterian Church
 Rev. Dan Bryant, First Christian Church
 Rev. Chuck Currie, Sunnyside & Univ. Park Church
 Rev. Lowell Greathouse, United Methodist Church
 Rev. Dr. Sally Godard, UNIDOS Bridging Communities
 Rev. Kent Harrop, First Baptist Church of McMinnville
 Rev. Cecil Prescod, United Church of Christ
 Rev. John Reutter-Harrah, Prince of Life Lutheran
 Rev. Bill Lupfer, Trinity Episcopal Cathedral
 Rev. Dr. David Massey, American Baptist Church
 Rev. Stephen Schafroth, St. Paul's Episcopal Church
 Rev. Alicia Speidel, First Christian Church (Medford)
 Rev. David Wheeler, First Baptist Church of Portland
 Rev. Doug Wirt, Christian Church Disciples of Christ
 Rev. Dana Worsnop, Atkinson Memorial Church
 Salem/Keizer Coalition for Equity
 SEIU Oregon State Council
 SEIU Local 49
 SEIU Local 503
 Sheriff Lee Vasquez (retired Yamhill County Sheriff)
 Lori Stegmann, Stegmann Insurance
 The Urban League of Portland
 Umatilla County Board of Commissioners
 Upstream Public Health
 Voz Hispana Causa Chavista
 Western States Center
 Women Struggle for Progress