

TO: Senate Judiciary Committee

DATE: February 24, 2014

RE: SB 1550-A-10 Amendment

Chair Barker, Committee Members:

I am a long time victim's advocate and former legal counsel to the Oregon Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence.

I write to urge your opposition to the dash 10 amendments to SB 1550-A., which would increase the classes of sex offenders required to register without the possibility of consideration for removal by the Parole Board. This amendment violates the intent of HB 2549 passed last session to limit registration to those sex offenders who are truly dangerous. An expanded registration list makes the community less safe as it becomes all but impossible for the authorities to track those most likely to reoffend.

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration of this important matter.

Respectfully,

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