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**House Business and Labor Committee  
Testimony of Arthur Towers, Political Director  
Oregon Trial Lawyers Association  
In Support of HB 2006  
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Members of the Oregon Trial Lawyers Association fight for workers who have been discriminated against because of age, gender, race, sexual orientation, or disability. Our members also fight for workers who have been injured on the job or victimized by wage theft. In all of these instances, cases are difficult for workers to win because the balance of power between workers and employers is too skewed in the direction of employers.

On behalf of our members and the Oregonians they are fighting for, I want to put our support for HB 2006 on the record before the committee.

We are happy to provide the committee greater detail about the front-line experiences of our members and their clients in the area of gender discrimination if that would be helpful in your deliberations.