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Via email to [WaysandMeans.PublicSafetySub@state.or.us](mailto:WaysandMeans.PublicSafetySub@state.or.us)

We are writing you today in support of an item in the Attorney General's budget pertaining to the creation of a dedicated prosecutor in that office to aggressively pursue those who abuse the elderly—particularly on financial matters.

While much of this abuse takes place in unlicensed community settings, the result directly impacts our populations in licensed long-term care, and is of serious concern to this Committee. We are all aware of the growing numbers of seniors who become vulnerable to abuse as the baby boomer tsunami grows. It is hoped that giving the Attorney General's office the resource requested in this budget will help to both protect these citizens and preserve the assets they have accumulated for funding their care needs.

This Residential Facilities Advisory Committee joins other senior advocates in urging your approval of this item for the next biennium.

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