I'm emailing in support of HB 3483, "Relating to the solemnization of marriage," which adds secular organizations and parties to the list of those authorized to solemnize marriage...

The U.S. Supreme Court is currently debating the extension of basic civil marriage rights to all Americans. Marriage equality is opposed by religious organizations like the Archdiocese of Portland and Bend, the Mormon Church, and the Albina Ministerial Alliance, so non-religious alternatives for solemnization are crucial for permitting all Oregonians to receive equal treatment under the law.

The more options Oregonians have to avoid unpleasant, discriminatory religious organizations, the better :)

Thank you for listening & Cheers! Bill Griesar & family 4832 NE Cleveland Avenue Portland, OR 97211