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## Oregon Sexual Assault Task Force

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**Testimony in support of SB 1567  
Senate Committee on Judiciary  
Submitted by: Michele Roland-Schwartz, Executive Director**

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Chair Prozanski and members of the Senate Committee on Judiciary,

My name is Michele Roland-Schwartz, Executive Director of the Oregon Attorney General's Sexual Assault Task Force. The Sexual Assault Task Force is a private, non-profit, non-governmental statewide agency with over 100 multi-disciplinary members who serve as advisors on 1 of 8 subcommittees including: Campus, Criminal Justice, Legislative & Public Policy, Medical-Forensic, Men's Engagement, Offender Management, Prevention Education, and Victim Response.

Our mission is to *facilitate and support a collaborative, survivor-centered approach to the prevention of and response to sexual violence*. We accomplish our mission by providing multi-disciplinary training and technical assistance to sexual assault responders in Oregon and nationally.

**I submit this written testimony in support of SB 1567** an important mechanism to hold offenders, who choose to use technology as a form of sexual violence accountable by criminalizing the impersonation of another person with the intent to harm, humiliate, threaten or intimidate. SB 1567 strengthens the work you accomplished in 2015 when the Oregon legislature passed SB 188, and keeps our laws up-to-date within a fast-paced digital age while positively impacting the lives of victims.

I appreciate the opportunity to submit written testimony in support of this bill, and am available for any additional questions you may have.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele Roland-Schwartz  
Executive Director