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Chair Jeff Barker
House Committee on Transportation
And Economic Development
900 Court St. - State Capitol
Salem, OR 97301

Chair Barker and members of the Committee:

I am here today to testify in support of HB 4067. My name is Stacy Cowan and I am with SEIU, Local 503. We are happy to have an opportunity to support legislation that improves whistleblower protections. We are particularly pleased to see these protections further expanded to workers employed by a nonprofit. It takes a tremendous amount of courage to speak out against corruption, mismanagement, and health and safety violations. It is a lot to ask someone to put their livelihood on the line and many times there are significant disincentives to raise concerns. The more we can improve upon existing protections, the more folks will be encouraged to speak out.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify. I hope you support HB 4067.

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