

Dear Oregon legislators,

I strongly, adamantly support the legislature passing all 4 bills (LC 17, 18, 19, 20) that deal with police reform. It is so incredibly important that law enforcement officials be held to a standard of conduct, be transparent, and are able to be held accountable for their actions by the public. At this point in our nation's history the ability of such organizations and individuals to operate with impunity and little regard for accountability has reached horrific proportions, especially for people of color.

LC 19 in particular is especially important to me. How else can we ensure that officers with a troubled pattern of abusing their power are not allowed to continue employment as law enforcement. If such a law had been in place in Minnesota, it is likely that Officer Chauvin would have been kicked out of law enforcement long before the George Floyd incident occurred.

Again, I wholeheartedly support passing these bills.

Thank you,

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