

Criminal Justice Testimony

To Who it Concerns:

I want to reiterate that there should be as strong as possible reforms enacted in this emergency session. The ongoing plague of police misconduct continues unabated. Specifically, my concern is that there does not appear to be any currently working mechanisms to address police misconduct.

I currently live 2 blocks from the ICE building in Portland. In the last month, police have unnecessarily used chemical weapons, targeted press and observers for arrests, menaced protesters, and refused to identify themselves when observed acting improperly. I am beyond frustrated with the police forces refusal to desecalate.

Please know that all the reforms listed below seem like the absolute minimum we should expect from a civic force.

LC 742—Cops can't be trusted with chemical weapons; they've been court ordered to not use these weapons of war. LC 743—Cops need to wear their nametags; they aren't the secret police LC 746—Cops need to be held accountable, no arbitrator vetos LC 747—Don't hurt arrestees LC 821—track cops' crimes and tell the public LC 825—No qualified immunity; please abolish this abhorrent source of the worse of police misconduct.