

Hello! Although I participated in some of the protests,I am not a violent anarchist or a thug! I am a 70 year old woman living with my spouse and dog in unincorporated Multnomah County. I pay taxes and vote, and I proudly fly the U.S. flag on national holidays. My parents are interred at Willamette National Cemetery.

I urge support of these legislative concepts/bills. I have been educating myself about use of force by the police. After reading books like Caste and From Here to Equality, I know it is imperative to adopt substantial reform measures. These measures will also restore the reputation of the police as men and women who do their work with respect, dignity and intelligence, and do this work for all Oregonians.

In particular, LC 20, which mandates use of force reports, is critical to learn more about situations where force is used, so training can be tailored to best practices in a variety of confrontational situations.

Thank you for considering my comments, and for your thankless yet vital service in the legislature.

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