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**Oregon Attorney General's Sexual Assault Task Force**

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**Testimony in Support of HB2393  
Submitted to the House Judiciary Committee  
Submitted by: Michele Roland-Schwartz, SATF Executive Director  
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Chair Williamson, Vice Chairs Gorsek and Sprenger, and members of the House Judiciary Committee,

On behalf of the Oregon Attorney General's Sexual Assault Task Force, I am writing in support of HB2393, which will close a loophole by removing the requirement that an intimate image be disclosed through an Internet website.

SATF is a private, non-profit, non-governmental statewide agency whose mission is to improve Oregon's response to and prevention of sexual violence through multi-disciplinary, survivor-centered collaboration.

We were pleased to support the passage of SB188 in 2015. The disclosure of intimate images without consent causes devastating harm as victims experience threats of sexual assault, stalking, harassment, shaming, and in some cases, loss of a job or employment opportunities, or the need to transfer to a different school. Victims experience ongoing humiliation as images are exposed to innumerable viewers on multiple online platforms.

We are also well aware that images are shared through other methods, such as text messages, email, and/or via printed images without the consent of the victim, causing great harm and feelings of shame and isolation. HB2393 offers an important remedy to this loophole, and for this reason we urge your full support.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony.  
Respectfully,

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