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Chair Williamson, Vice Chairs Sprenger and Gorsek, members of the Committee,

Thank you for your time. SEIU has joined with our partners across the state to tackle the issue of profiling by law enforcement based on racial and other identities such as sexual orientation, language, housing status, gender identity and national origin. We believe that this issue is critical to address because a person's ability to have a fair shot to get ahead can be adversely impacted when profiled by law enforcement.

SEIU members live and work in communities throughout the state, come from diverse backgrounds and all share a common hope for a just society. We believe that better data leads to better outcomes in all public services, including law enforcement.

HB 2401 will improve the analysis of trends that must be dealt with in our criminal justice system. By passing HB 2401 Oregon will continue to improve policing, make our neighborhoods safer and communities stronger.

Oregon needs to continue to take steps to end profiling. SEIU local 49 and 503 support House Bill 2401 and urge that the House Judiciary Committee join us.

Thank you,

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