This is simple: sex workers should be able to report crimes without fear of repercussions, especially when it concerns their own wellbeing—that harm could befall a worker and they would have to choose between healthcare and justice is unconscionable.

I appreciate having an opportunity to express my solidarity with sex workers, and hope that Oregon can see SB 596 as part of a broad and rapid public movement away from prejudice against them.

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