

Dear Chair Prozanski, Vice Chair Thatcher, and Members of the Committee on Senate Judiciary,

I am a resident of Oregon and a supporter of sexual assault survivors. I care deeply about this topic and want to ensure that all sexual assault survivors feel safe.

Why is this Bill Important :

Having sexual assault survivors go back to court to renew their restraining orders annually is traumatic. This restraining order needs to be *extended*.

Protecting vulnerable people, children, survivors of repeat sexual assault offenders, survivors of sexual assault by family is important and their protection deserves to be *permanent*.

What does it remedy:

It prevents the responsibility of keeping themselves safe from falling on the sexual assault survivors.

It protects the most vulnerable in the community, especially those who have jobs that do not allow them to take days off to go to court.

My position on this Bill is that I support it and I would like it to get passed.

Thank you for your consideration.
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