

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

I am a resident of Oregon and supporter of sexual assault survivors. I care about this topic dearly.

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 falling on the sexual assault survivors to keep themselves safe.
- 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 to file restraining orders.

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

I support SB 482 along with it's "-1" amendment.

Link to Bill: <https://olis.leg.state.or.us/.../2019.../Measures/Overview/SB482>

Thank you,

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