

**To Chair Williamson, Vice Chairs Gorsek and Sprenger, and Members of the Committee.**

I am a native Oregonian, business leader in Portland and a supporter of sexual assault survivors and I would like to write in my testimony of support for SB 995.

This Bill is important because sexual assault survivors should be protected from having to renew their restraining order annually. The restraining order duration needs to be extended beyond the current expiration period of one year.

This Bill protects the most vulnerable in the community, especially those who don't have jobs that allow them to take days off to make a court testimony annually. It prevents a SAPO from being considered null if the sexual assault survivor cannot get their assaulter served even after due diligence.

My position on this Bill is that I support it and would like it to get passed. I support SB995. [Link to SB995](#)

Sincerely,

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