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To: Joint Subcommittee on Public Safety; others

Re: [HB 5004]...Round two.

I do not know what database tools are available to you.

What is at issue with **[HB 5004]** is the amount of pending legislation created by either some of you and or your colleagues.

Do you have the ability to push a "button" on your computers that "sorts all pending legislation" to a particular issue; say issues affecting the Department of Corrections?

There are several pieces of legislation affecting the Department of Corrections requiring massive financial investments to carry out the mandates if the pending legislation becomes law.

Personally, I can't comprehend how good people who get elected, do not have a grasp of the budgetary shortfalls facing Oregon and yet you and your colleagues continue to create legislation materially affecting the Department of Correction's operations.

When considering the Corrections Department's budget, consider looking forward a bit and note how the impending legislation will affect the operational side of the Department.

I Thank the Department of Corrections for their service and they have my condolences for having to at least be polite when in your presence.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ David S. Wall

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