Committee members, My name is Joshua Spector and I live in Portland, OR. I am writing today to express my strong support for Senate Bill 618, Senate Bill 619 and SJM 4. It is absolutely critical that we recognize the ongoing impact that the history of slavery continues to have on Black Americans. Reparations are long overdue and are essential to working towards a more equitable society for all. Reparations are only the base level of what America owes Black people and this is a great start. Thank you for your time. Joshua Spector