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**Testimony in Support of SB 766  
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Chair Prozanski, Vice-Chair Thatcher, and Members of the Committee,

At Partnership for Safety & Justice, we advocate for public safety and criminal justice policies that ensure accountability, equity, and healing for people convicted of crime, crime survivors, and the families and communities of both. For over 20 years, our work has promoted public safety with policies that keep families together, reduce racial disparities, and invest in communities across Oregon.

Oregon's Sexual Abuse Protective Orders (SAPO) are vital for allowing victims and survivors of abuse to access safety and healing. For SAPOs to be most effective for survivors, the orders must adapt and evolve based on input from victims, their family members, and advocates' experiences of what survivors need.

**Two technical fixes are proposed in SB 766, and they are vital to ensuring privacy, safety, and healing of sexual assault victims.**

SB 766 would remove the current risk of releasing personally-identifying information of minors, particularly dates of birth, which is a privacy issue and a violation of Federal law. The bill would also remove a procedure currently in place that may publicly release the survivor's assault history.

SAPOs are critical for survivors who may otherwise not be eligible for orders of protection but who need access to safety. They remove barriers to protection and ensure that victims and survivors of sexual violence are provided with the safety they need in the aftermath of an assault.

**SB 766 is essential for survivors' safety and healing. We respectfully urge your support.**