

Submitter: Elizabeth Klein

On Behalf  
Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Judiciary and Ballot Measure 110  
Implementation

Measure: SB1510

My name is Rev. Dr. Elizabeth Klein. I am a retired family physician and am now a Deacon at Grace Memorial Episcopal Church in NE Portland. I believe in equity and healing. I am asking you to please support Transforming Justice 2022 (SB 1510).

SB 1510 will bring dignity and justice to people of color in our community. Every Oregonian deserves to feel safe and be treated with dignity. But many, especially Black, Indigenous, Latinx, and other people of color, feel vulnerable and unprotected in their own communities, homes, and workplaces.

Transforming Justice 2022 (SB 1510) will limit unnecessary interactions between law enforcement and people of color and will help our black and indigenous and Latino people be safer. SB 1510 ensures that people who have caused harm are responsible for that harm, after which they would have an opportunity to rebuild their lives. It also ensures that crime survivors have the resources they need to heal and invests in culturally specific services for communities of color throughout Oregon.

Please support SB 1510 and enact these critically needed changes that are aligned with Oregonians' vision for a public safety system rooted in racial equity, accountability, healing, and opportunity.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Rev. Dr. Elizabeth Klein  
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