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Hello Sen Judiciary . SB 618 is fascinating, with out critical history to speculate on. "Body armor" means any clothing or equipment designed in whole or in part to minimize the risk of injury from a deadly weapon. sport helmets, football padding has been at a lot of riots where police have been stood down by City Admin over last 7 yrs. I have seen tons of vids and in person. For years the DA's of our Counties have released said clad people, many have been repeat offenders. The real world reason charges were dropped is the DA's can't provide the court appointed attorneys (due to supply and demand). No money , not enough attorneys and a overload of the system already abused with jail over crowding of sometimes much more violent public risks currently holding Jail beds. Certainly we have seen a belly full of stupid in our streets. But sadly also by Mayors and City Admin who stood police down... Certainly by Gov Kate Brown who just released over 1,000 rapist and murderers and now I hear Marion Co. is now purging the Mental Hospital beds of some truly dangerous residents :(Oregon Legislature has Defunded Police and passed laws like SB 1510 (2022) in time of rioting. Laws mean nothing if randomly enforced. I feel toxic saying the above... but the citizens of Oregon have suffered much in recent years. Maybe had we enforced existing laws when thugs rioted against the ICE Facility , pushing burniing dumpsters against a occupied building... and they did it to Police Dispatch centers and businesses I would be more favorable to this kind of legislation.