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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Judiciary

Measure: SB779

I strongly oppose SB779 as it would have a negative impact on law enforcement recruitment. Our city is short 4 police officers and can't get qualified recruits that pass our interview process, the background checks and physiological tests which can take months. All for a starting salary of \$24 an hour. Having a college degree means you accomplished something but probably no usable job skills at a substantial cost that is not reimbursed by the state for requiring it. This law just makes it harder for any of the 372 small cities in Oregon to have a police force. Please vote NO!  
Thank you for listening.