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Given the current targeting and dehumanizing of immigrants in our country, it is encouraging to see the State of Oregon, through this proposed legislation, doing what it can to welcome immigrants and help them integrate more fully into society. Immigrants are our neighbors and friends. They work on farms, construct our homes, maintain our landscapes, and perform many other jobs without which our lives would be considerably less comfortable and convenient. Navigating the immigration system can be challenging, especially for those who do not speak English as a first language. This bill rightly seeks to make that process a little more achievable for immigrants to our state. I support SB703 wholeheartedly. I respectfully urge our legislators to pass it into law.