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Re: Rogue Climate Testimony regarding HB 4138 & HB 4114

Dear Chair Kropf, Vice-chairs Chotzen and Wallan, and Members of the Committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment in support of HB 4138 & HB 4114, two important bills in the Immigrant Justice Package.

Rogue Climate's mission is to empower Southern Oregon communities most impacted by climate change, including low-income, rural, youth, seniors, and communities of color, to win climate justice by organizing for clean energy, sustainable jobs, and a healthy environment. Climate justice and immigrant justice are inextricably linked, as so many have been forced to leave their homes due to fire, floods, drought, and storms. As extreme weather continues to intensify, it is critical that our state remains a leader in sanctuary protections for all Oregonians.

Oregonians have experienced a 4,000% increase in immigration detainments in communities across the state. Federal attacks on immigrant families and cuts to safety net programs demand a strong response. Oregonians know that we are stronger together. When immigrant communities are targeted, our economy suffers, communities suffer, and critical systems are pushed to a breaking point. Leaders have a responsibility to protect children, stabilize health care, ensure equal access to justice, and defend against federal abuses of power.

The majority of ICE agents in Oregon are currently wearing masks and lack clear identification. By comparison, police officers identify themselves during arrests and before entering a home. Police transparency keeps everyone safer. Without similar standards, ICE creates confusion that hurts trust in law enforcement and undermines public safety.

HB 4138 requires ALL law enforcement officers operating in Oregon to visibly identify themselves, who they work for, and to unmask. This is a critical step to prevent people from impersonating law enforcement and kidnapping or assaulting our neighbors. It will also build a firewall between state/local public employees and the federal government to protect our civil rights and liberties, including our due process rights. Lastly, HB 4138 will draw clear lines between state/local and federal law enforcement operations, and provide for transparency when cooperation occurs. This provides community members with information on which law enforcement agencies are operating in their neighborhoods and who the individuals are.



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HB 4114 protects immigrant families from unconstitutional home intrusions amid expanding enforcement. Recent reporting shows that federal immigration agents have begun claiming they can enter private homes without a judge-signed warrant — relying instead on internal “administrative warrants” to arrest someone with a final removal order. This sharply contradicts longstanding Constitutional protections against unreasonable searches and seizures. HB 4114 holds individuals personally responsible for infringing on someone’s right to privacy and security in their home.

HB 4138 & HB 4114 are part of the 2026 Immigrant Justice Package and are backed by a broad coalition of immigrant justice advocates, civil liberties groups, unions, and community based organizations. The package is critical to ensuring accountability and public transparency while channeling the tremendous amount of public energy and outrage at the abuses of the federal government in our communities. I urge you to support these community-led policies by voting YES to protect the freedoms of all Oregonians.

Sincerely,

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