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HB4114

I strongly encourage the Oregon House Committee On Judiciary to support HB 4114. The terror and fear inflicted upon Oregon communities and throughout the nation is having a devastating impact on immigrants, citizens, and non-citizens. They are racial profiling, arresting, and detaining people with disregard for their legal rights. As a long-time educator, we are seeing the impact in schools: decline in attendance as immigrant and others targeted by ICE are afraid to leave their homes. Latinx families and other families are choosing not to come to school and are fearful of engaging in community events. These Oregon students will lose ground in their learning and are losing trust in our institutions. Oregon can step up and protect the legal rights of all students to fully benefit from their education. Please listen to our students, families, educators, and communities who actually believe in the civil rights for all.