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HB 4114 - Protect your Door

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Chair, Vice Chairs and members of the committee my name is Representative Lamar Wise, and I represent House District 48, serving communities in outer Southeast Portland and North Clackamas County. I am proud to support House Bill 4114.

HB 4114 is about clarity, accountability, and public trust. It establishes clear rules for when federal or out-of-state law enforcement agencies conduct planned operations in Oregon, particularly when those operations involve entering private property or sensitive community spaces.

Oregonians expect law enforcement to operate lawfully, transparently, and with respect for constitutional rights. This bill reinforces those expectations without interfering with legitimate law enforcement work. It does so by setting reasonable guardrails, not barriers.

First, HB 4114 protects basic constitutional principles. When agents enter private property, homes, schools, or places of worship, Oregonians deserve assurance that those actions are lawful, clearly authorized, and identifiable. Requiring warrants when applicable, clear identification, and advance notice for planned operations helps prevent confusion, fear, and unnecessary escalation, especially in communities that have historically experienced over-policing or misidentification of law enforcement.

Second, the bill prioritizes coordination and public safety. Requiring advance notice to the Department of Justice ensures that state and local law enforcement know when and where operations are taking place. This reduces the risk of dangerous misunderstandings between agencies and helps verify the legitimacy of operations on the ground. These provisions are especially important in dense, diverse communities like mine, where unannounced operations can create panic or harm bystanders.

Third, HB 4114 provides meaningful accountability. The civil cause of action created by this bill is narrowly tailored and applies only when agents violate clear rules, such as entering protected spaces without authorization, failing to identify themselves, or using excessive force. Accountability is not anti-law enforcement; it is pro-rule-of-law. It strengthens trust between communities and those sworn to protect them.

Finally, I want to be clear: this bill does not prohibit cooperation with federal agencies. It simply says that cooperation must occur within transparent, lawful parameters, particularly when operations involve schools, health care facilities, shelters, or places of worship. These are spaces where people should feel safe, not targeted or afraid.

HB 4114 reflects Oregon's values: respect for civil liberties, smart public safety policy, and clear lines of responsibility. It protects residents, supports law enforcement professionalism, and helps ensure that operations conducted in our state are lawful and accountable.

I urge the committee to support HB 4114. Thank you for your time and consideration.