



House Judiciary Committee

**RE: Support Protect Your Door Act, HB 4114**

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

My name is Pavithra Iyer. I am a student at the University of Oregon and also a Legislative Organizer at Next Up Action Fund. For over 20 years, Next Up Action Fund has worked to foster the next generation of young leaders in Oregon.

Studying political science at college, I know that our government's highest mandate is to serve the people and to safeguard our rights. **I am here today because current federal action is violating that mandate.**

Right now, our communities are under attack. Every day, countless Oregonians live in overwhelming dread, fearing the possibility of being targeted by I.C.E, D.H.S, C.B.P, and other masked federal agents who raid our neighborhoods *with impunity*.

No one should have to fear leaving their home just to go learn at school, buy groceries to feed their family, go to work to earn a living, or gather with people in prayer. **Our communities don't even feel safe in the very place that should be their sanctuary: their homes.** Masked federal agents swarm our state, in Bend, Seaside, Hillsboro, in Hood River, Portland, across the street at Willamette, on my campus in Eugene, all the while, refusing to identify themselves, show their faces, or present a

court-issued warrant.

If the very people who are supposed to protect us fail, then we must do it ourselves. **This is why Next Up Action Fund strongly supports House Bill 4114, so that if a federal agent refuses to identify themselves at the door, Oregonians know they can refuse the agent entry and that they will be legally supported if the agent violates their rights.** House Bill 4114 would also provide Oregonians with monetary compensation for damages in these cases, for example, if agents unjustly enter a household at nighttime without an emergency — a situation we know is deeply traumatizing.

Finally, House Bill 4114 requires federal agencies that are planning operations in Oregon to register with the Oregon Department of Justice 48 hours in advance, or 2 hours for genuine emergencies. This will ensure there is a database of who these agents are, so that they cannot act in the dark with anonymity.

Never in our history books have the masked police, the stealers of family members, the predators in the dark, been on the right side of history. **If the threat of these federal agents is to become the new normal for our community, it is up to the Oregon Legislature to mitigate this threat as much as possible.**

Thank you all very much for your consideration.

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