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On Behalf Of: Self  
Committee: Senate Committee On Judiciary  
Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB1594  
Chair Prozanski, Vice—Chair Thatcher, & Members of the Senate Committee On Judiciary  
  
Subject: Opposition to 2026 SB 1594

Thank you for the opportunity to submit written testimony. I oppose this bill, and I encourage you to kill it in Committee. If not there- please oppose it with your floor vote.

Oregon already has sanctuary laws. These should be sufficient to ensure that state resources will not be used unnecessarily to assist with enforcement of laws which are primarily the responsibility of federal authorities. They should also protect against racial profiling.

Allow me to go a little deeper. The Summary of the bill as Introduced includes the following line:

"Directs the Office of Immigrant and Refugee Advancement to develop and maintain model policies, standards and procedures related to the enforcement of federal immigration laws."

Let's be real. Given the demonstrated history of bill Sponsors- Senator JAMA, Representative RUIZ, Senator MANNING JR, Representatives ANDERSEN, CHAICHI, VALDERRAMA; Senators FREDERICK, NERON MISSLIN, PATTERSON, PHAM K, PROZANSKI, SOLLMAN, WAGNER, Representatives CHOTZEN, EVANS, FRAGALA, GAMBA, GRAYBER, ISADORE, MCDONALD, MUNOZ, NELSON, NGUYEN D, RIEKE SMITH, WATANABE, WISE... it would be more honest if the line in Summary of the bill was re-written to this: << Directs the Office of Immigrant and Refugee Advancement to develop and maintain model policies, standards and procedures THAT WILL BE USED TO OBSTRUCT the enforcement of federal immigration laws. >>

Again, I oppose this bill, and encourage you to kill it.

Thank you.

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