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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Commerce and Consumer Protection

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB4150

I'm writing in support of HB 4150.

HB 4150 takes a clear and reasonable step: it ensures Oregon's public dollars are not used to support private companies that are under agreement with a federal agency to transport detained people for the purpose of deportation—except when compelled by a federal court order. In other words, the bill uses Oregon's contracting and grant-making authority to align state spending with Oregon values and public policy, without interfering with lawful court-ordered processes.

Why HB 4150 is needed

1) Oregon should not bankroll deportation infrastructure.

State contracts and grants are meant to serve Oregonians and strengthen public well-being. HB 4150 makes sure our state dollars are not indirectly subsidizing transportation services that facilitate deportation.

2) The bill is targeted and practical.

HB 4150 does not attempt to regulate federal immigration enforcement broadly. It focuses narrowly on a specific activity (transport for deportation purposes) and a specific lever (eligibility for state contracts and grants). That is an appropriate and lawful use of the state's purchasing power.

3) Clear compliance and accountability.

Requiring an attestation gives agencies a straightforward, standardized tool for implementation. The enforcement provisions provide meaningful deterrence and protect taxpayers from funding activity Oregon residents have chosen not to support.

For these reasons, I respectfully urge you to vote YES on HB 4150 and advance it out of committee.

Thank you for your time and for the work you do for Oregon.