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February 9, 2026

To: **Rep. Jason Kropf, Chair**

House Committee on Judiciary

Re: **HB 4045-2 – Relating to search warrant response time limits – Support**

The League of Women Voters of Oregon strongly supports HB 4045, known as “Kristil’s Law,” based on our violence prevention position and our belief in the importance of timely coordination between law enforcement and the private sector in cases of stalking and domestic violence.

HB 4045-2 requires social media communications providers to respond to a search warrant within 72 hours and all other providers to respond within five business days if the search warrant pertains to an investigation of stalking or a crime constituting domestic violence. We concur with those who have testified on the bill that time is of the essence in these situations, since there is a brief window of time when the threat of violence is at its greatest. It is heartbreaking that many victims lose their lives because law enforcement did not receive crucial information from communication providers in a timely way.

Ever-evolving technology has given perpetrators of stalking and domestic violence multiple ways to harass and intimidate their victims, including the use of social media, smartphones, GPS trackers, Bluetooth trackers, and smart home devices. In many investigations, communication providers hold the key to discovering a perpetrator’s identity and/or location, and it often takes weeks or even months before that information is made available to law enforcement. HB 4045 reinforces the need for urgency on the part of providers by putting a specific response time in statute, thereby saving countless lives.

According to the Oregon Department of Justice, 386 Oregonians died from domestic violence-related homicides between 2013 and 2022. Law enforcement deserves to have every tool possible to prevent these needless tragedies. We urge your support for HB 4045.

Thank you for the opportunity to discuss this legislation.

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Barbara Klein
Acting President LWVOR

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Marge Easley
Action Committee Member