



Oregon Community Table on Postsecondary Education and Training

Chair Prozanski, Vice Chair Thatcher and members of the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

My name is Angelo Arredondo from Salem. I currently serve as the program manager for the Oregon Community Table on Postsecondary Education and Training, also known as OCTPET. We have the distinction of currently being the only statewide community advocacy group on higher education. Part of our work is advocating for our underrepresented students in postsecondary education and their families. We have about 140 members statewide. On behalf of our members who voted to support this legislation unanimously, I am writing in strong support of HB 4114 known as the Protect Your Door Act.

Immigrant Oregonians, our families, and communities have been targeted by violent, lawless ICE sweeps resulting in community-wide fear and devastating family separations. No family should have to plan for parents being torn from their children.

The Protect Your Door Act strengthens our constitutional rights to be secure in our own homes. If anyone violates our constitutional protections by entering our home without a valid warrant signed by a judge or our consent then we can sue them personally for damages and harm they have caused. Our constitutional rights are only meaningful when enforceable. Families across the state and country have seen their Constitutional rights violated without accountability. HB 4114 holds individuals personally responsible for infringing on someone's right to privacy and security in their home.

Our students are scared for their safety, oftentimes the students we serve come from all backgrounds. They are parents, they are working multiple jobs just to survive college, they have to work to support their family, among many other things. Our communities shouldn't have to worry about having their constitutional rights infringed at a critical time where all students are already facing some kind of hardship. Home is often the only place where a lot of students feel safe. No students or community members should feel unsafe in their own home. Our students and community should not be worried of being unjustly targeted just because of how they look. They should be able to follow the dream of pursuing an education without fear.



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The Protect Your Door Act is part of the 2026 Immigrant Justice Package and is backed by a broad coalition of immigrant justice advocates, civil liberties groups, unions, and community based organizations. I urge you to support these community-led policies to protect the freedoms of all Oregonians.

Best,

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