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On Behalf Of:
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Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB1516

Members of the House Rules Committee:

?I am writing as an Asian resident of Lane County to urge your immediate support for SB 1516A.

?Our community is currently under siege. We are being systematically targeted by professional burglary rings that exploit our neighborhoods, knowing full well that our current "catch and release" system is their greatest ally. In Lane County, we have endured three distinct waves of these coordinated attacks. Some of our families have been victimized three separate times in their own homes.

?The impact on the AAPI community is devastating and dual-layered:

Economic & Physical Violation: We are losing more than property; we are losing the fundamental right to feel safe in our own beds.

Systemic Injustice: These sophisticated criminals view Oregon's pretrial standards as a loophole. They post minimal bail, flee the jurisdiction, and vanish—leaving us with no day in court and no hope for accountability.

?When the law fails to recognize the high flight risk of organized crime, it sends a clear message: our safety is negotiable, and these crimes are consequence-free.

?SB 1516A is a necessary, common-sense correction. It provides judges the essential flexibility to consider a defendant's danger to the community and their likelihood of fleeing before trial. It ensures that "due process" applies to the victims as well as the accused.

?For the justice system to have any integrity, defendants must actually show up for court. I ask you to vote YES on SB 1516A to give our courts the tools to protect Oregonians and end this cycle of targeted exploitation.

?Sincerely,

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