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I am a Korean American High School student, and after the recent burglaries targeting my community, I support this bill. I have seen the fear that is in our community, and reporting feels useless when it seems as though nothing gets done, even after reporting. A lot of Asian Americans don't feel they'll be taken seriously or worry that reporting will just make it worse. And if people don't face consequences when they do things like this (the burglaries) it feels like the system doesn't care about me and what happens to my community. SB 1516 is important and makes I'm a 10th grade high school student at South Eugene High School, and I'm Korean American. I'm writing because I've seen how scary it is for families like mine when someone is hurt and it feels like nothing happens afterward. A lot of Asian American families already worry about speaking up, because they don't know if they'll be taken seriously or if reporting will make things worse. When someone can just leave and avoid facing what they did, it makes it feel pointless to report at all. It feels like the system doesn't really care what happens to us. SB 1516 makes sense to me. If someone is waiting for trial, the court should think about whether that person is likely to come back. That's not about punishing anyone early, and it shouldn't depend on what kind of crime it is or who the victims are. It's about making sure the process actually works. When people believe there's real accountability, they're more likely to trust the system and come forward. That matters, especially for Asian American families who already feel invisible.