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## Majority Leader Jennifer Williamson Statement on Harassment Policy Review

SALEM – House Majority Leader Jennifer Williamson (D-Portland) issued the following statement on the call for the Oregon Law Commission to do a review of the legislative branch's current harassment policies:

"I applaud House Speaker Tina Kotek and Senate President Peter Courtney for their continued leadership in improving the culture of the capitol. This review is an important first step in changing the culture of this institution. Going forward, everyone must be willing to participate and work toward a better Oregon. For too long, individuals have been afraid to come forward and tell their stories. That time is over.

"We must keep up the pressure. We have to end the toxic power dynamics and culture of silence that have impacted so many communities throughout our state's history. Only then can we hope to achieve an environment where everyone feels safe and welcome."

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