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## **Rep. Karin Power Appointed to Public Records Advisory Council**

SALEM – Rep. Karin Power (D-Milwaukie) was appointed by House Speaker Tina Kotek to the newly created Public Records Advisory Council. She joins community leaders on the council, which was created this year through passage of Senate Bill 106.

The legislation was part of a package of government transparency bills championed by Democrats in the legislature and Governor Kate Brown during the 2017 session.

“I believe it is my responsibility as an elected official to ensure that government is transparent and accountable to the people,” Rep. Power said. “I’m excited to continue this important work on the Public Records Advisory Council.”

In addition to Senate Bill 106, House Democrats championed a series of bills this year to shine a light on government. Senate 481 strengthens public records law by improving communication with record requesters. House Bill 2101 directs Legislative Counsel to prepare open government impact statements for measures that affect disclosure, or exemption from disclosure, of public records, and creates the Oregon Sunshine Committee and a subcommittee of legislators to review public records exemptions.

“This is real action and progress for Oregon,” Rep. Power added. “I look forward to being a champion for every Oregonian as we work to better the process for obtaining public records at all levels of government.”

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