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**Legislation that Prioritizes Illegal Criminals Over Law-Abiding
Citizens Passes Senate on Party Line Vote**

SALEM, Ore. – Today, the Oregon Senate passed [House Bill 2932](#) on a party line vote. The bill prohibits courts from asking defendants for immigration status in a criminal proceeding and prioritizes illegal criminals over law-abiding citizens. Senator Alan Olsen (R-Canby) released the following statement regarding the legislation:

“What good does this legislation do by prohibiting courts from asking a defendant’s immigration status during a criminal proceeding? This legislation prohibits court professionals from ascertaining information that could be used by Immigrations and Customs Enforcement (ICE). It is an obvious attempt to make concessions for immigrants during a criminal trial to protect their alien-status in Oregon and is not beneficial to law-abiding citizens.”

[Watch Senator Olsen’s floor speech here.](#)

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