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VOTE EXPLANATION

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RE: Vote Explanation on motion HB 2155.

I work very hard to represent the interest and broad diversity of my constituents within my District 9. To do this, I continue to try and understand opinions and am committed to a bipartisan effort which I feel provides the best legislation for my constituents and all Oregonians.

The intent HB 2155 was to clarify the definition of public and private official relating to organizations providing child-related services and activities. Permits mandatory reporting exemption of victim services providers. I voted no on this bill.

I firmly believe that no person, public, private or as a provider should have the option to not report child abuse. Child abuse is a severe problem in Oregon and in our country. If we are to protect our children, if are to accept the responsibility to end child abuse, no one, absolutely, no one should be exempt from the mandatory requirement to report child abuse. Any other option is an excuse, and there is no excuse for child abuse, thus no excuse for not reporting the abuse to our children.

Respectfully,

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