



OREGON HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

February 18, 2026

Timothy G. Sekerak
Chief Clerk of the House
State Capitol Building
Salem, Oregon 97301

RE: Vote Explanation on HB 4116

Dear Chief Clerk Sekerak,

I am concerned that House Bill 4116 is too blunt of a tool to solve for predatory lending practices in the State of Oregon.

We have real-world evidence of what happens when a state opts out of DIDMCA. Iowa is the only state that has consistently done so, and there is no data showing consumer benefit. In fact, analysis indicates that roughly 250,000 Iowans each year are unable to access responsible credit, representing about \$300 million in foregone lending. After DIDMCA passed in 1980, eight states initially opted out—but seven quickly reversed course for exactly this reason.

HB 4116 would replicate Iowa's scarcity of lending options. Many Oregonians—especially in minority communities—would lose access to responsible, regulated credit and be pushed toward higher-priced lenders or national banks not bound by Oregon's rate caps. Community bank-fintech partnerships that currently offer safe alternatives would be effectively shut down.

There is also significant legal risk. A similar law in Colorado has been tied up in litigation for nearly two years with no resolution. Passing HB 4116 would expose Oregon to the same costly and prolonged legal challenges.

I believe that with more discussion and consideration of these concerns, I could get to a yes. However, given these concerns I could not get to a yes at this time.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Daniel Loc Nguyen", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Daniel Lộc Nguyễn
State Representative