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OREGON STATE SENATE/SENADO DEL ESTADO DE OREGON

March 1, 2022

TO: Lori Brocker, Secretary of the Oregon State Senate

CC: James Goulding, Publications Coordinator

RE: Vote Explanation for SB 1510

Chief Clerk Brocker,

I voted "yes" on SB 1510 and wish to explain my vote.

Our law enforcement agencies are stretched so thin responding to 911 and to non-emergency calls, and they have been on the front lines throughout this pandemic, during the wildfires, ice storms – in fact, during every emergency. They have a difficult and dangerous job. SB 1510 promotes public safety by allowing our law enforcement officers more time to focus on more dangerous crimes and on community engagement.

At a time when our communities need to strengthen community relations and heal divisions, this bill allows law enforcement officers more time to focus on what is truly important in their work. This is why I voted to support this compromise bill.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Deb Patterson". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Senator Deb Patterson