

To: Oregon Sunshine Committee Members
From: Michael Kron, Oregon Sunshine Committee Chair
Re: Discussion draft of a proposal concerning exemptions for personal contact information.
Date: June 20, 2018

The Sunshine Committee recommends that the legislature eliminate the numerous existing exemptions that protect contact information only of specific classes of individuals. Those should be replaced with a single, stand-alone exemption that treats personal contact information consistently. The legislature should ensure that the exemption adequately protects the contact information of individuals who would be endangered by having their contact information disclosed. Otherwise, the legislature should strike a balance that generally protects the personal privacy of Oregonians while still allowing legitimate uses of the information in the public interest.