

Testimony on House Bill - Favorable
HB309 Judicial Facilities – Stops, Detentions, and Arrests – Limitations
House Judiciary Committee
February 2, 2026

Dear Honorable Chair Bartlett, Vice Chair, Davis and Members of the Committee:

I, Oren P Pursley am writing to offer favorable testimony in support of HB309-Judicial Facilities – Stops, Detentions, and Arrests – Limitations

In light of the heinous and power-hungry actions by certain federal agencies and their enforcers, we must do everything within reason to protect our neighbors, and this bill is the first legislative step in the correct direction. As a United States Navy Veteran, I am disgusted that the flag I defended is now worn to intimidate my neighbors. The rights that I raised my hand to uphold and represent are now being abused to intimidate my community and we as voters, you as the representative body and our governor must uphold and update the law to protect the defenseless.

I am angry. I am sad. I am scared. However, I am more eager than ever, ready to defend my community and stand up to the bullies whose only objective is to intimidate and inject fear into my community. I need you, my representatives to stand up for, and in front of every person in this state that cannot speak as they are being forced into hiding and are being blocked from following the laws and regulations out of fear of disappearing in a concentration camp.

I am disappointed that this language has taken this long to reach your legislative body. But I understand that we are all human, we are all exhausted and we the people need you to pass this bill now.

I strongly urge you to vote in favor of this bill.

Very Respectfully,

Oren P Pursley


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