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## MEMORANDUM

TO:	Senator Laurie Monnes Anderson Sandy Thiele-Cirka, Committee Administrator
FROM:	Len Bergstein
SUBJECT:	SB 1565 Progress Report
DATE:	February 1, 2012

Since your interim committee discussion on this bill (SB 1565, was LC 241) we have made great progress at removing controversy/opposition to this bill.

- SB 1565-1: <u>Removes</u> nurse practitioners (with their okay) and removes potential controversy over Board of Pharmacy Authority over this issue; <u>Removes</u> new classification of "practitioner dispensing drug outlet" and relies on existing statutory language of "drug outlet" (Board of Pharmacy staff agrees with this approach); <u>Adds</u> language requiring compliance with Board of Pharmacy rules (Pharmacy Coalition approves of this).
- SB 1565-2: Clarifies that physician assistants <u>retain existing</u> privilege to dispense controlled substances in certain medically under-served areas, under rules of Oregon Medical Board (OMB and Oregon Physician Assistants requested this clarification).

I know of no outstanding issues regarding SB 1565 at this time.

Thank you.