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From: Peter Szucs [mailto:peter.szucs302@gmail.com]

Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2013 3:06 PM

To: Larson Tyler

Subject: Please support SB 387

To whom it may concern-

I am writing to voice my support for Senate Bill 387, which requires a permit to operate a massage facility. I believe that this bill has been thoughtfully crafted to have minimal impact on licensed massage therapists, while at the same time granting the Oregon Board of Massage Therapists (OBMT) reasonable tools to reduce the incidence of unlawful massage practice. I believe that the OBMT's efforts to minimize ilicit activities carried out at unlicensed massage therapy establishments will improve public safety.

Massage therapists work hard to become educated and licensed, and provide needed wellness and health care services to their clients and patients. They do not deserve to be unfairly associated with persons or businesses who are providing illicit sexual services under the name "massage". SB 387 advances the perception of massage as a health care service and helps to distance the profession from any relation to human trafficking and prostitution.

I urge you to support SB 387.

Sincerely,

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