



Dear Chair Greenlick and members of the committee,

On behalf of the Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons of Oregon, I would like to register our concern regarding HB 2048.

We believe that before Oregon adds any new provider groups into the primary care provider loan repayment program, we need to fully examine the various incentive programs and take a closer look at current provider shortages by provider type.

On behalf of our over 1,200 Osteopathic physicians, residents and medical students, I urge you to hit the pause button on HB 2048 and address the issue of increasing the pool of provider types that may be eligible for the primary care provider loan repayment program after we've had the chance to fully evaluate the efficacy of all of Oregon's provider incentive programs.

Sincerely,
David

David Walls
Executive Director,
Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons of Oregon