] on behalf of L. Storck

From: Sent: Wednesday, March 25, 2015 7:09 AM To: Sen Gelser Subject: Support for SB772 - Vital Access

Dear Chairman Gelser, For general distribution please -

This is to share our full support for the Bill to be discussed tomorrow in Oregon, SB772 concerning equal communication access with quality captioning.

Good citizenship everyplace requires access and inclusion. One in five people everywhere has a hearing loss. Many more need and use quality captioning due to other differences (e.g. tinnitus, learning differences, cognitive changes).

Captioning also gives you a ready transcript of proceedings, and in fact, will help your voters find you online. Educated and involved voters care about this.

CCAC is non-partisan, and represents up to 48 million citizens in the USA, many more internationally, all who use captioning in many places.

Sincere good wishes for understanding the need, and finding ways to accomplish this as soon as possible. If Oregon does this, other states will take notice.

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