



**AOCMHP TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF SB 839**

May 5, 2015

Dear Chair Barker and Members of the House Judiciary Committee,

The Association of Oregon Community Mental Health Programs (AOCMHP) supports SB 839, to give individuals immunity, who may be otherwise arrested for drug possession, when calling law enforcement or emergency medical services in the case of a life threatening drug overdose of another person. People should not be afraid of doing the right thing to save someone's life for fear of incrimination.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in support of SB 901.

Sincerely,

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