

May 6, 2015

To: Ways and Means SubCommittee on General Government

Fr: the Fair Shot Coalition

Re: Support House Bill 2960A

Members of the Committee,

The Fair Shot coalition is committed to advancing policies that fix our broken economy, address longstanding inequalities, and give everyone a fair shot. We need real solutions that change the broken rules about work, wages and planning for our futures, and give every Oregonian the opportunity to succeed.

As part of our 2015 legislative agenda, the Fair Shot Coalition supports HB 2960 and SB 615 as a safe and affordable path for every Oregonian to save for retirement. Too many working families and individuals fallen behind on paying for the basics with little chance to catch up and retirement saving is no different. For women, people of color, LGBTQ communities, and many others the situation is often worse, retirement savings are often nonexistent, inaccessible, or unfunded. We need policies that create opportunity for everyone in Oregon to have security in their older years. Thank you for your consideration of these bills.

Who is Fair Shot Oregon?

Fair Shot for All includes Family Forward Oregon, SEIU, the Urban League of Portland, Oregon AFL-CIO, Center for Intercultural Organizing, Oregon Education Association, CAUSA, Basic Rights Oregon, PCUN, UFCW, Rural Organizing Project, AFSCME, Planned Parenthood Advocates of Oregon, Asian Pacific American Network of Oregon, Oregon Action, and an ever-growing coalition from across Oregon.