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HB 4108 Support

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Dear Members of the House Health Care Committee-

I am a Certified Anesthesiologist Assistant (CAA) who is in full support of Oregon House Bill 4108. I am very eager to live in the Portland area because I have family that resides there and I would love to relocate in order to be close to them. Currently, I am working in Atlanta, GA and I was delighted to learn of the possibility of CAAs being able to gain licensure in Oregon.

In case you are not familiar with the CAA educational and medical training background, we require completion of a Master's degree from an accredited school, as well as a minimum of 2,600 hours of clinical anesthesia training. We are trained to practice within the Anesthesia Care Team model under the direction of an anesthesiologist. Our patients are always under the care of two highly trained medical professionals which ultimately provides them with the best quality care.

I am asking you to vote in favor of House Bill 4108 because this would enable me to be closer to my family and allow me to continue doing the work that I love. It would also alleviate some of the shortage of anesthesia providers that is happening nationwide. Just like CRNAs, we have the same roles within the Anesthesia Care Team.

I look forward to practicing in the beautiful state of Oregon and I hope you vote in favor of HB 4108.

Thank you, Anna Janulewicz