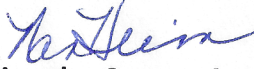


# OREGON ACADEMY OF OPHTHALMOLOGY

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**TO:** Floyd Prozanski, Chair, and Members  
Senate Judiciary Committee

**FROM:** Nan Heim   
Representing the Oregon Academy of Ophthalmology

**RE:** Opposition to Senate Bill 1576

Chair Prozanski and Members of the Committee:

The members of the Oregon Academy of Ophthalmology are medical and osteopathic physicians specializing in eye care and surgery throughout the state. The Academy members oppose Senate Bill 1576 because they believe this bill is not in the best interests of patient safety and care.

Contact lenses are medical devices, regulated by the Federal Food and Drug Administration. Senate Bill 1576 would prohibit practices that help assure appropriate handling and distribution of these medical devices. The practices in question are in place to protect patients. Improper distribution and dispensing of contact lenses can cause very serious and even permanent damage to eyes.

The Oregon Academy of Ophthalmology respectfully urges a NO vote on Senate Bill 1576.

Thank you.

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