

## CEDRIC HAYDEN STATE REPRESENTATIVE HOUSE DISTRICT 7

February 18, 2016

The Honorable Laurie Monnes Anderson Chair, Senate Committee on Health Care 900 Court St NE Salem, OR 97301

Re: House Bill 4141A

Dear Chair Monnes Anderson and Members of the Senate Committee on Health Care:

Thank you for taking the time to consider House Bill 4141A which comes to you from the House on a 57-0 vote.

The intent of House Bill 4141 is simple – to ensure that OHA does not arbitrarily adjust service areas for existing CCOs. The bill does this by limiting the Authority's ability to solicit interest from other CCOs to an area already served by an existing CCO to situations of need. The need is determined by two considerations: (1) a CCO's withdrawal from a geographic area; and (2) the lack of capacity of any other CCOs operating in that geographic area to enroll the members affected by the withdrawal. These protections ensure stability for both CCOs and the members they serve.

In discussions with OHA, I have clarified that the intent of House Bill 4141A is not to impede OHA's ability to protect Oregon Health Plan members in situations where OHA takes affirmative action in response to contract violations, financial uncertainty, or loss of adequate capacity by an existing CCO that would require OHA to add additional CCO capacity to an area. OHA's authority to act in these circumstances is already defined in statute and House Bill 4141A is not intended to alter these Oregon Health Plan member protections granted to OHA.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Representative Cedric Hayden

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