*Testimony submitted via email.* 

Hello,

I am a practicing art therapist. I support legislation providing a professional licensure process that will preserve the integrity of the art therapy profession and protect mental heath consumers by ensuring that Oregon art therapists are fully trained/skilled in the practice and providing ethical and high quality art therapy.

However, I see the current version of Art Therapy Bill HB 2432 to be problematic, as I <u>do not support</u> an art therapy license that grants permission for those who have <u>not</u> received graduate art therapy degrees and national credentialing from the Art Therapy Credentials Board to provide art therapy. This would not serve to protect the public or effectively regulate the practice of art therapy.

Thank you,

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