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**To:** SHS Exhibits  
**Subject:** Support SB 860

Dear Congressmen & Congresswomen,

I urge you to support SB 860 and enforcing Oregon's Mental Health Parity law. Many of my direct clients have been harmed by poor enforcement which includes but is not limited to:

- Low reimbursement for mental health services and placing much of the **financial burden on the client** for out-of-pocket costs.
- **Stringent clinical reviews** of client's cases which are intrusive and are an increased burden on me as the provider to "prove" my treatments.
- **Clients struggling to find available providers** in-network with their insurance because many providers do not panel due to low reimbursement fees.
- Being restricted to which CPT codes (reimbursement codes) I am allowed to use which **limits client's care based on what insurance wants to pay** versus the amount of time a client really needs in their sessions.

It is time Mental Health Services are treated the same as Medical services. Please support this bill!

In kind regard,  
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