



DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 15, 2017

TO: Honorable Mitch Greenlick, Chair
House Committee on Health Care

FROM: Ellen F. Rosenblum, Attorney General

SUBJECT: House Bill 3391

This testimony is presented in support for House Bill 3391, a Comprehensive Women's Health Care bill.

I support comprehensive women's health care and especially reproductive health care for women and men in Oregon, without restriction. This includes access to contraceptives, screening for possible infections and cancer, and counseling regarding all reproductive health options. As Oregon's Attorney General, but also a woman, and as a mother and grandmother, it is important to me to protect this access for future generations by codifying it clearly in our statutes.

This bill not only guarantees that insurers provide these services, consistent with the law, but it also prohibits government interference with a woman's decisions, which are made in consultation with her health care provider and her family.

Finally this bill protects Oregonians against discrimination in the provision of health care benefits and insurance on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, age or disability and makes such discrimination a violation of Oregon law.

I urge you, and the members of this committee, to vote in support of access to health care for all Oregonians, and unrestricted access to reproductive health care.

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