

March 2017 Health Insurance Testimony
Chair Roblan and Members of the Senate Committee on Education,

My name is Christine Manning and I am a part-time faculty member at Portland Community College. I have been with PCC for sixteen years.

I am writing **in support of SB196**.

Many who desire a career teaching in higher education are forced to take part-time positions for at least several years before a full time position is available, if ever. In order to make a living, it is often necessary to take positions at multiple institutions.

As an instructor who is often a class or two away from not qualifying for health care the next year, I recognize the significance that having access to health insurance makes. If I do not qualify in the future, I will have to leave teaching altogether. Having the option of counting all of my teaching hours from multiple institutions would make the difference.

I strongly urge you to support SB 196.

Thank you,

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