"I'm writing to ask your support for SB 808. This bill ensures that all babies born in Oregon will be tested for the life threatening conditions on the Recommended Uniform Screening Panel (RUSP) put out by the US Department of Health.

The bill also sets up a Newborn Screening Committee to help make recommendations on improvements Oregon can make to our screening process. These improvements might include testing for some Secondary conditions and keeping the testing lab open on the weekend to make sure babies born on the weekend get their tests done more quickly.

My son was saved because of NBS. However we received the preliminary results on a Friday. If his pediatrician wouldn't have acted so quickly and started the life saving treatment Tristan needed, he would have died due to having to wait for the final results over the weekend.

This bill will save the lives of our precious babies. Please support SB 808"

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