Testimony submitted via email.

Dear Representative Greenlick,

I am writing to urge support for House Bill 2664 to allow a limited pilot project of extended patient stays at ambulatory surgery centers in Oregon. The bill seems very reasonable, with several major concessions to hospitals. I have performed many surgical procedures at an ASC, and can attest that patient safety is our first priority. We now have outcomes data on about one year of total joint replacement procedures and minor spine procedures at this ASC which so far compare favorably to similar data from our hospital patients. If you have any interest in touring our facility or reviewing our outcomes data, contact me anytime, or let me know if I can help in any other way. Please support HB 2664.

Thank you,

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