

On behalf of the Oregon Dental Association and the Oregon Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons, for the record, we support Dr. Hayden's -6 amendment to HB 2384.

Thank you.

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My understanding is that just section 2 was added. If that is the case, directing the boards to collaborate and develop a plan to ensure patient safety-- I think it is great. This gives Rep Hayden a 'win' and doesn't blow up the Board of Dentistry's 2000 lines of anesthesia administrative rules. My own opinion is that dentistry is really in the front of these safety concerns with its rules and medicine and nursing seem to pass off safety rules to JCAHO and hospitals. While I usually bristle at more regulation and tone deaf rulemaking, this sounds like a good idea to me. As a provider who offers sedation and has an anesthesiologist come to the office to provide deep and general anesthesia, I welcome this mandated collaboration with the health boards and reporting to the legislature.

Brandon Schwindt

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I second Dr. Schwindt's sentiments. Since mobile anesthesia services in a dental office could be under various jurisdictions (Boards) collaboration makes a lot of sense to prevent finger pointing and assure that all three boards are on the same page as far as safety is concerned.

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