

Hello,

Julie Chick from Nehalem, Oregon here and I am asking that Legislative Concept 52 be passed into law this Special Session so that Oregonians experiencing disability can access healthcare, use support from people they trust while they are hospitalized and have support when making end of life decisions.

My son experiences Down syndrome in Tillamook County. If he were admitted to the hospital he would absolutely need support understanding what is happening to him; to understand what is expected of him; and he would need the same level of support he needs in his daily life at home. We do not NOT believe this is anything similar to a "visitor" but is equivalent to the support he uses to access his life when making decisions within his community.

Thank you for considering this important issue.

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