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Dave McCready from Salem Oregon parent and guardian of a son who experiences special needs and is non verbal.

Please pass legislative Concept 52 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.

Mandates hospitals allow support people to patients as required by the Americans with Disabilities Act, consistent with the order recently released by US Health and Human Services and current Oregon Health Authority guidelines.

We have a non verbal son with many health issues who would not be able to advocate for himself without a support person at his side. With Covid and any other future issue this is of GREAT concern for us as he enters adulthood.

Thanks for your time and consideration.

Regards,

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