

# Senate Committee on Healthcare

## SB 128

I would like to comment on the bill regarding permits to allow qualified advanced practice nurses (APRN) to supervise fluoroscopy. I am a radiographer who has 40 years experience, working in hospitals, clinics and education. Fluoroscopy often is the source of the highest doses to patients and personnel to ionizing radiation, which means people who use it should know how to properly use it to keep doses low.

Currently I am on the Oregon Radiation Advisory Committee for the Radiation Protection Services (RPS) and as a member of the committee I do not have any concerns with this bill since it has training and testing requirements.

I am also on the Board of Trustees for the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists, which certifies and registers individuals in medical imaging. Our mission is to promote high standards for patient care in medical imaging, interventional procedures and radiation therapy. This bill will require both didactic and clinical training as well as an exam to obtain the permit, which I believe will indicate that APRNs understand the significance of using ionizing radiation.

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