

To Chair Monnes-Anderson and Committee Members:

Oregonians want single-payer health care. Oregonians need single-payer health care.

- We need a health care system that really does cover everyone in need regardless of ability to pay.
- We need an end to crushing burden that insurance middlemen and exorbitantly paid insurance executives place on small businesses and individuals.
- We need an end to routine denials of care—a runaround that spirals costs in re-billings by providers, even as it jeopardizes the health of those awaiting critically needed care.

Oregon has made progress in improving health care. But we desperately need to hold down costs and cover everyone. It's clear that the private insurance model has failed completely to achieve these goals. SB 770 would get us back on the right track.

Yours truly,

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