

Senate Healthcare Committee Chair and Members:

Considering the very short notice of this public hearing, I am submitting written testimony for the record opposing SB770 in its entirety.

Any bills that OHA is involved in must adhere to the civil rights they are required to follow which includes conscience and religion. Exemptions for religious or conscience reasons must legally be respected especially regarding health care.

OHA is a part of and gets funding through HHS, which has a division of Conscience

Violations of these rules can lead to funding being removed. OHA must adhere to their own rules also. I think you seriously should take into consideration the federal government's role in defending these civil rights and the rules of the state and country in defending them. Below are links to HHS Conscience division and OHA civil rights rules. Declaring emergency clauses in bills is against ORS 433.441. Those rules are definitely not being followed and I am not sure if the Office of Emergency Management of Oregon even knows these clauses are happening.

Thank you

Sincerely

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