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Greetings from Astoria-

I, Mark Covell, am a Somatic Counselor, after completing a comprehensive program with META in Portland. We studied Hakomi principals and aspects of mental health. I am continuing to study a third year now. Our practices offer alternative styles that complement main stream therapy.

I am writing this email testimony to oppose Bill HR 4031. To assure ethical practices and to also improve consumer/public protection I now request the addition of a registry or licensure board to oversee these groups that have completed comprehensive training in the various styles of counseling. I currently have an Oregon Massage license and certification as QMHA through MACBHO as well.

Thank you for looking into this issue and I am hopeful that an agreement can be found to allow the continuity of Somatic Counseling, public protection and a myriad of offerings that can be available to the consumers in Oregon.

Very Truly Yours- Mark H. Covell

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