I am a survivor of brain injury. 15 years ago a brain aneurysm burst and caused a stroke. Despite all my hard work for decades impairments remain. I was fortunate to be living in the Phoenix Arizona area and they have a robust brain injury program through ABIL a bridge to independent living, they could be a model for future programs. The brain has neuroplasticity so can repair if people get the necessary services.

I am in support of bill 700 because survivors in Oregon need to have the same benefits available in other states.