Hi! I am a RID Certified Sign Language Interpreter in SE WA and interpret for Oregonian clients regularly in the NE corner of Oregon. Due to lack of quality communication access they may drive over to WA state to places like the Tri-Cities for their critical appointments. I fully support licensure as a way to provide consistently professional qualified interpreters for medical, legal, employment, social services (ie: DSHS/SSA) appointments. Of special consideration are DeafBlind clients who need trained and qualified tactile ASL interpreters for important personal and professional decision making access. Please pass HB 3231 and support effective expressive and receptive quality communication access for Deaf, Hard of Hearing and DeafBlind citizens in OR. Thank you!

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