

Chair Prusak, Vice Chairs Salinas and Hayden, and members of the House Health Committee,

I am a member of the Oregon Academy of Ophthalmology Board of Directors and I know you've already received our organization's letter. Optometrists are valued members of the eye care team, but their training does not prepare them for surgical interventions of the eye. The stakes are too high for the people of Oregon as their vision may never recover from an incorrectly performed operation on their eyes. I urge you to oppose this legislation that poses a grave danger to the eyes and vision of all Oregonians.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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