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On Behalf Of: Mr Oregon Opposes HB 2479

Committee: House Committee On Early Childhood and Human Services

Measure: HB2479

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I OPPOSE [HB 2479] WITH EXTREME PREJUDICE.

Children Advocacy Centers have provided and still provide a much needed service to abused children.

However, I have seen the Legislature [2021] enact legislation to accept the Licensure from out of state Trades peoples (Nurses too) as an enticement to relocate to the Eastern Oregon Economic Development Border Region. This makes it all too probable such an employment practice can and will be utilized by a CAC somewhere at sometime.

[HB 2479] would give immunity to CAC's who practice accepting out of state licensure or not even checking the licensure of their employees.

If [HB 2479] is enacted in its' current form, injuries to children at the negligent and or evil hands of a CAC will not be able to sue for damages the immunities that is provided for CACs. This is not acceptable by any and all means.

It is therefore incumbent of me to OPPOSE [HB 2479] with Extreme Prejudice.

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Mr. Oregon Concurs...CACs need protection from frivolous law suits but protection of children is paramount.