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This bill fails to address the central shortcoming of Oregon's False Claims Act: the lack of a private right of action. It may be noble that the Attorney General might recover funds from bad actors on behalf of the taxpayer, but she is a politician at the end of the day - one who looks away at the real corporate bad actors who might fund her campaign.

Oregon is one of the few states without full qui tam litigation. This limits the options for potential whistleblowers to come forward. How much waste, fraud, and abuse is being ignored by the AG or unreported by whistleblowers? I personally know of an \$11 Million fraud on the Oregon Health Plan, but the AG won't look into it.