

## 2/1/2023

Dear Representative Rob Nosse, chair, and members of the House Committee on Behavioral Health and Health Care,

My name is Bonnie Marshall and I represent the Oregon Dental Assistants Association. I am writing in opposition to House Bill 2996.

Oregon Dental Assistants are governed by the Oregon Board of Dentistry and rules set forth by Division 42, Section 818-042-0050, Exposing of X-rays - Exposing of Radiographic Images.

If House Bill 2996 passes it will remove the current requirement that a dental assistant demonstrate an understanding of ionizing radiation by passage of the Dental Radiation Health and Safety Examination.

The Dental Radiation Health and Safety Examination is the foundation for all the rules in Division 42.

The rules and standards set forth by the Oregon Board of Dentistry and Division 42 protect the quality of patient care and provide dental treatment in a safe environment.

The Oregon Dental Assistants Association is opposed to House Bill 2996.

Respectfully, Bonnie Marshall

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