Regarding: House Bill 2996

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

My name is Kara Radu and I am a Dental Assisting instructor. I have had my CDA, RHS and EFDA certificates since 2001. 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. I strongly oppose this bill as it will jeopardize the safety of all patients that are exposed to ionizing radiation unnecessarily. Without proper training and testing to verify that the information will be retained, the number of retakes and/or undiagnostic x-rays taken will be significant. I personally, would not allow a person whom is not properly tested to take x-rays on myself or anyone in my family.

Sincerely, Kara Radu Salem, Oregon