

Submitter: Laurie Fredsall  
On Behalf Of:  
Committee: Senate Committee On Health Care  
Measure: SB584

Dear Senator Patterson and Senator Hayden,

As an Oregon resident, I oppose this bill. Providing high-quality language access to patients who are unable to communicate in English with their healthcare providers results in better patient outcomes, better adherence to aftercare instructions, lower readmission rates, and lower malpractice filings and lawsuits regarding deprivation of language access rights. Please do not inadvertently place further barriers to their care by sponsoring this short-sighted bill. Thank you for your thoughtful consideration and attention to serving the best interests of ALL Oregonians.