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In 1970 to 1974 I lived and worked in British Columbia and enjoyed a single-payer health care program. I also taught Anthropology including medical anthropology. On returning to Oregon I advocated for a similar system and I taught until retirement in 2003 at Oregon State University. Several years ago, my elder daughter qualified for the Oregon Health Plan and she has been using it since then. In 2004 I joined Mid-Valley Health Care Advocates and have served as a member of the Outreach and Legislative Committees; two years as president of MVHCA; and currently I serve on the Legislative committee. In such capacities I have understood that a single-payer system would benefit our state by providing better care for all our people at a lower cost than continuing our current system. I believe SB 704 is needed to complete the work that the Task Force on Universal Health Care began so effectively. Thank you for your attention.