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To Senate Committee on Health Care

My name is Ray Quisenberry, and I am a 32 year resident of Oregon. Like all of us, I have spent my entire adult life navigating our confusing health care system, waiting for approvals and referrals, and occasionally arguing over denials. Throughout this time, I've paid a fortune in premiums and copays, and have had to often switch insurance companies to find marginally better pricing or lower deductibles. Frankly, our health care system is terrible, and I'm sick of it! The idea that a market based system provides lower costs and more individual freedom is laughable; or it would be if it didn't kill people. I strongly resent the idea that my health and the health of my family is considered a commodity, to be controlled by corporations out to make a buck off my pain and suffering.

I strongly support SB 704. We need to move toward a universal health care system, where all of us get the care we need, and care is not rationed by our ability to pay. I can't think of anything more cruel than that. SB 704 is a good first step toward the only solution that exists; single payer health care.

Thank you