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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Behavioral Health and Health Care

Measure: HB2996

HB 2996-Seriously Vote No!!!

My health and my economics are threatened if you allow HB 2996 to become law. Any exposure to radiation is serious. It needs to be administered by someone who has demonstrated that they are skilled and responsible. Saying that a dental assistant without licensing will be monitored by a trained person is an unrealistic expectation. In most everyone's work today jobs are combined and consolidated. This is where the public's health and dental staff are compromised by not expecting dental assistants to be certified.

The American Dental Association recommends an x-ray annually. The minimum cost for a complete array of x-rays is \$350-\$600. If the x-ray is mismanaged or poorly done the health and treatment of the patient can be compromised. The cost of an already expensive procedure may be punishing and prohibitive for future appointments.

HB 2996 is not in the best interest of health practices for Oregon's population.