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I am a retired Physician Assistant and am very aware that we are in the middle of a health care staffing crisis in Oregon. The primary issue our nurses and healthcare workers face on the job is understaffing, which affects both the working conditions and the future of patient care. This is why I support HB 2697, which would ensure both that hospitals are required to ensure safe staffing levels, and that there is an enforcement measure to hold them accountable.

Thank you.