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RE: Testimony in Support of HB 2697

To the House Committee on Behavioral Health and Health Care

My name is Chelsea Daigle I am a nurse at Oregon Health and Science University at CHO.

After working in the hospital in General Surgery for 9 years I decided to move out due to chronic stress and burnout from chronic staffing shortages leading to extremely challenging days. We did not have the staffing to get our adequate breaks and when working 12+ hour shifts, we had to rush around while caring for our patients- it became exhausting and unsustainable. I decided to move out of the hospital due to chronic stress and burnout. Management would comment on how great we're doing with what we have, at the same time, ignoring our repeated pleas for assistance. We need more staff. It is important to have safe staffing ratios to prevent medical errors and to give our patients the care they deserve.

Please support HB 2697 and give nurses what they really need: help.

Nurses feel overworked and undervalued and need more help.
Please, help nurses and our patients by passing HB 2697.

Sincerely yours,

Chelsea Daigle