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Patient safety and care in a society as wealthy as ours should not depend on what makes some people money. It should depend on the knowledge and experience of of the health care professionals who actually do the work. If nurses and physicians not only in Oregon but across the nation are warning us that understaffing due to financial considerations is compromising patient care and safety, I want our state government to listen and ensure through legislation like this bill that safe staffing is a matter of law not finances. Please do everything you can to get this bill passed.