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Good evening Chair and Committee members. My name is Katherine Moslander. I have been a nurse for 21 years. I am here in support of House bill 2967.

You have all heard lots of stories about the lack of support in healthcare. We have heard the data that Oregon does not have a nurse shortage but a shortage of nurses willing to work in current conditions.

I want you to understand that safe staffing that is both accountable and enforceable is itself the greatest recruiting tool to get Oregon nurses back to the bedside.

Safe staffing in combination with Oregon's fair wages for nurses are the tools we need to attract nurses from around the country to come to Oregon.

This is how you retain and attract nurses.

Thank you.