



## **The Honorable Greg Smith**

Oregon House of Representatives  
District 57

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Chair Nosse, Vice-Nelson, Vice-Chair Goodwin, and members of the House Committee on Behavioral Health and Health Care:

I am State Representative Greg Smith, representing the counties of Gilliam, Jefferson, Morrow, Sherman, Umatilla, Wasco, Wheeler, portions of Clackamas, and portions of Marion. Since, I was unable to testify in-person yesterday, I am submitting the following written testimony in support of HB 3258.

There is a real need for the State of Oregon to tackle the opioid crisis by reducing the amount of prescription drugs that make it to the street. In an audit of the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP), the Secretary of State Audits Division issued a recommendation to collect information on Schedule V controlled drugs.

In direct response, HB 3258 will require monitoring and reporting of prescription drugs classified in schedule V of the Federal Controlled Substances. This would put Oregon in line with the 42 states that have adopted this practice. Additionally, the updates to statute that HB 3258 provides, will allow our coordinated care systems in Oregon to play a more significant role in addressing the State's opioid crisis.

HB 3258 is a necessary step in the right direction to strengthen Oregon's fight against the opioid epidemic. I urge your support of HB 3258 and its -3 amendment.

Best Regards,

Representative Greg Smith  
District 57