

Testimony in Support of HB 2513 – Measure 110 revisions

Public Hearing March 28, 2023

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

GOBHI (Greater Oregon Behavioral Health Inc) is a behavioral health and social services network serving in 12 rural/frontier counties with the goal of empowering individuals and communities to achieve better health. GOBHI was established in 1994 and is a non-profit organization.

GOBHI supports HB 2513.

GOBHI appreciated the work group that Chair Nosse led since the beginning of session. That group discussed many challenges implementing that Measure 110.

HB 2513 proposes some needed changes to the Oversight and Accountability Council and also ensures the Council has the support they need from OHA. In addition, HB 2513 provides the accountability measures necessary to make sure the legislature can track the work of the Council.

We support those changes. GOBHI also has identified the lack of coordination between the various groups that work in this space as a barrier. We encourage more work on coordination between the Behavioral Health Resource Networks (BHRNs) and all the other local participants including CCOs, CMHPs and Counties. I think we all recognize the importance of working together.

Thank you.

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On behalf of GOBHI