

Please support the Data Privacy Amendment for SB 303

Good afternoon, Committee Members:

My name is Amanda Gow, and I am a lifelong resident of Central Oregon. I am an active community member and have had a long career working in leadership roles for various non-profits supporting youth and families. I am a dedicated public servant currently in the process of pivoting my career. At 40, I welcomed my first child, and our family decided it was a good time for me to return to graduate school to pursue a degree in clinical mental health. My goal is to help those suffering from mental health concerns who may also want psilocybin to be part of their mental health journey. In addition to being a full-time graduate student, I co-founded Bendable Therapy, a non-profit based in Bend that helps people access treatments.

I am submitting this public testimony because I am concerned about the data privacy and health equity risks of SB 303 as currently written. I urge you to support the OSPCC Data Privacy Amendment to ensure the safety of Oregonians' data and equitable access to this vital wellness program. The amendment provides common-sense protections while furthering the objectives of the bill.

I appreciate your consideration in this matter and am available if I can be of help in answering any other questions or concerns,

Warm regards,

Amanda Gow