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On Behalf Of: NA
Committee: Senate Committee On Health Care
Measure: SB1578

Subject: Opposition to SB1578

Dear Senate Health Care Committee, as an Oregon-qualified Spanish medical interpreter, I am writing to express my opposition to SB1578.

I like the idea of ??being able to bill Medicaid and providers directly. As an independent contractor, I think the current system bars me from doing this. The proposed system does the same thing. It sets up a nonprofit that will act on my behalf.

I don't know how much the nonprofit will keep of my hard-earned money

Will they be efficient?

Will they be able to find as much work as I could on my own, given the chance to bill directly?

In this regard, the state is only removing one barrier to set up another one, limiting my options as an independent contractor.

Thank you,