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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Health Care

Measure: HB4130

Honorable Senators;

I am a gastroenterologist practicing in Bend, Oregon for 20 years asking you to support HB 4130. I was one of two senior physicians Praxis Healthcare fired leading our 3 remaining physician colleagues in the practice to quit Oregon. Though my senior partner and I were able to return to practice locally, Central Oregon continues to suffer a critical shortage of gastroenterology services more than 3 years later. I ask you to support this bill because our communities and patients deserve access to necessary medical care without interference from predatory business practices.

Thank you for your consideration.

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