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On Behalf Of: Oxford House
Committee: House Committee On Behavioral Health and Health
Care
Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2239

My name is Michael Gonzales, and I'm the President of Oxford House Hoodview in Gresham, Oregon. We are an 8 person men's house here.

This serves to register our House's opposition to bill HB 2239. We strongly believe that the certification process and standards of Oxford House Incorporated should be held on equal footing as the NARR certification.

We also believe that there is great need for several different Recovery Housing options in the State of Oregon, and that the Oxford House model, and its Fully-Democratic and Self Supportive/Managed Model is of the highest benefit to serve the housing needs of the Recovery Community. That is, one-person-in-recovery-helping-another was, and continues to be, a life changing opportunity for many throughout the State of Oregon. Currently Oxford House has 236 houses in 24 counties serving over 2000 members.

Thank you for your consideration...

OXFORD HOUSE HOODVIEW
s/b Michael Gonzales, President