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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Health Care

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3824

I urge you to vote YES on this important measure. It is time.

Physical therapists have been safely practicing dry needling in >45 states for many years now.

I have had many patients that have moved from out of state who are perplexed and dissatisfied that PTs in Oregon are unable to utilize the tools that helped them in another state.

Finally this is an access issue for patients: Many patients have PT benefits through their insurance, but do not have acupuncture benefits. If I have a patient like this who I believe will benefit from the direct needling of a trigger point, for example, they usually do not seek acupuncture care because it would incur out of pocket costs.

I urge you to vote Yes in support of this measure. It is time.