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I'm a licensed doctor a physical therapy who grew up in the state of Oregon and I'm currently residing in Idaho. After receiving my doctoral degree in physical therapy, one of the reasons I chose not to state of Oregon with the laws and practice act that restricted the ability of physical therapist to make decisions for the good of their patients. Within the state of Idaho, I am granted freedom under my doctor agree to choose therapy interventions that are evidence based and that you desired results. Idaho allows me to do that right now and Oregon does not. Physical therapist should be allowed under law to establish a plan of care that will best serve patient in rehabilitating and preventing injuries. This will allow more therapist to feel the freedom to practice in the state of Oregon and attract more clinicians to the state. I grew up in the state of Oregon and was directly affected by the outdated and restricted practice act, it influenced where I chose practice and where to raise my family.