



House Judiciary Committee

RE: Support HB 4088, Strengthening Patient and Provider Privacy Act

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Chair Kropf, Vice-Chair Chotzen, Vice-Chair Wallan and Members of the Committee,

My name is Jasia Mosley and I am the Advocacy Manager at Next Up Action Fund. Since 2002, our mission has been to build political power with diverse young people to achieve a more just and equitable Oregon. As an organization that focuses on being a civic and political home for young people, it is vitally important for us to advocate for our communities to have safe and secure access to healthcare as well as advocating for bodily autonomy. That is why we are supporting HB 4088, the Strengthening Patient and Provider Privacy Act, because everyone deserves access to medically necessary care.

Next Up Action Fund prioritizes the safety and autonomy of all 2SLGBTQIA+ folks, including youth, across our state. With studies showing that transgender and queer youth who do not have access to secure gender affirming care have significantly higher risk of mental health issues and suicidal ideation, policies that affirm their access and protect their autonomy are vital to young Oregonians. When transgender youth, like all youth, receive the medical care they need, they are able to thrive and have healthy, happy childhoods that set them up for success in life. Decades of peer-reviewed research show that this care is safe, effective, and essential to the health and well-being of transgender youth.

HB 4088 protects our ability to make informed decisions about our own bodies, our health, and our futures. Control over your own body and private medical decisions are fundamental human rights. This bill is critical in safeguarding patient privacy, protecting medical providers from mounting criminalization threats, and ensuring that all Oregonians can receive the health care they need without fear or discrimination. Efforts to ban health care for transgender people are connected to a

larger strategy to push transgender people out of public and civic life. The increasing number of threats in the last few years makes the need for this bill urgent. Oregonians cannot afford to wait. In Oregon, this care remains legal and providers should be able to deliver it without fear of retaliation.

We urge you to vote yes on HB 4088 and center the well-being of not only trans and gender non-conforming people but the rights of all Oregonians to make personal medical decisions with their physicians without fear or intimidation of government interference.

Thank you,

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