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I am an Oregon licensed clinical social worker (LCSW) and I oppose this measure. Other clinical disciplines might be similar, but Social Work is different in our training, values, principles, and ethics. The social work profession approaches clinical care differently and our supervision reflects these distinctions. Oversight of social workers belongs within social work. An LMFT focuses on family systems and relationships, while an LCSW has broader social context training. Supervision must align with the supervisee's scope.