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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Behavioral Health

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB4083

As I CSWA, I oppose HB 4083. Prior to obtaining my MSW, I worked in the field for 11 years and hold the standards, experience, vast knowledge of social workers with high regard. I believe it presents a serious risk to the integrity of the social work profession and to the quality of services available to Oregonians. Rather than improving access to mental health care, this proposal would weaken professional standards, diminish specialized oversight, and reduce protections for the public across multiple service systems.

I strongly urge the Legislature to oppose HB 4083 and to uphold the independence, integrity, and regulatory authority of the social work profession in Oregon.