

Please support for HB 4088. This is about a personal choice for healthcare between a patient and their doctor, both of whom should feel safe and protected.

With increasing attacks from the federal administration on reproductive rights and LGBTQ+ health care, patients are concerned for the continuity of their care and health care professionals are fearful for their safety. 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. 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 federal intimidation or retaliation.

This kind of care has been life-saving for my friends, family, and community. I have witnessed firsthand the distress that has been caused by the fear of losing access to this kind of care.

Federal and out-of-state threats are escalating: In 2025, 1,020 bills in states across the country were under consideration that would negatively impact transgender, gender non-conforming, two-spirit, and intersex people. That is up from the steadily rising amount annually from 174 bills proposed in 2022.

Oregon has a responsibility to protect its providers' ability to provide the evidence-based healthcare described in this bill, and to protect patient privacy. This bill will provide stability and security, as well as dignity and choice for a marginalized population.

I urge you to move this legislation forward and vote YES on HB 4088 to protect patients, providers, and privacy in Oregon. Thank you for your time, service, and commitment to the people of Oregon.