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On Behalf Of:

Committee:

House Committee On Judiciary

Measure, Appointment or Topic:

HB4088

I am writing to urge the committee to support bill HB4088.

HB 4088 reinforces Oregon's long-standing commitment to protecting patient privacy, provider safety, and access to evidence-based healthcare free from political interference. HB4088 prohibits cooperation with out-of-state investigations targeting lawful healthcare, restricting non-fugitive extraditions and expanding professional protections to additional providers such as midwives. HB4088 is especially important as reproductive health care and gender-affirming care face escalating attacks nationwide. As someone who has friends who have been through gender affirming care, we also need to protect this care and the privacy of people who are transitioning genders. HB 4088 is critical in safeguarding patient privacy, protecting medical providers from criminalization threats, and ensuring that all Oregonians can receive the health care they need without fear or discrimination. HB 4088 protects our ability to make informed decisions about our own bodies, our health, and our futures. Control over our own body and private medical decisions are fundamental human rights.

Please 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.