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**Testimony in Support of HB 4088: Strengthening Patient and Provider Privacy Act
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Good afternoon Chair Kropf, Vice Chairs Chotzen and Wallan, and members of the committee.

For the record, my name is Senator Khanh Pham, and I am proud to be one of the chief sponsors of House Bill 4088, the Strengthening Patient and Provider Privacy Act.

The cornerstone of this bill is the fundamental privacy protections that every Oregonian deserves and that help to keep us safe and healthy. It is this privacy, and the safety that it extends, that is under attack for certain groups of people whose right to lifesaving healthcare has been targeted. HB 4088 would strengthen Oregon laws to protect health care providers and patients from federal government and out-of-state investigations or prosecutions of lawful, essential health care in Oregon.

Since taking office in 2025, the Trump administration has aggressively attacked the sexual, gender, and reproductive health and rights of people across our country. They have weaponized misinformation, inaccurate language, and inflammatory rhetoric to create stigma, confusion, and fear around essential reproductive and gender-affirming health care. This has led to a rise in efforts to criminalize and defund providers of reproductive and gender affirming healthcare and the families who support their loved ones to access this lifesaving care. In turn, women and transgender people are increasingly denied this care, and transgender members of our community are facing increased harassment and violence.

This bill is important and necessary because it affirms Oregon's commitment to the safety of all members of our community - to be safe from violence and harassment, to be safe from surveillance and incursions on privacy with our healthcare providers, and to be safe to receive legally protected, lifesaving healthcare.

I am proud to stand with our transgender community, especially our young people, in the face of attacks from our federal government. Oregon is holding fast to our values and legacy as a state that welcomes, affirms, and protects the rights of every member of our community. For all these reasons, I urge your support of HB 4088.