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My name is Kimberly Suh, and I am a high school student living in Beaverton, Oregon. I am testifying in support of SB 1598 in order to protect the Oregon Community's access to evidence-based preventative care. Vaccination has been a point of anxiety for my family and our healthcare journey, and being able to easily access publicized recommendations from professionals working in medicine and public health has been one of, if not the primary guiding element in the decision-making process for my parents in immunizing my sister and I. Having a clearer understanding of how, and why vaccines work has made us much more comfortable in pursuing these essential preventative measures, and I know I am safer because of it. If services such as those that SB 1598 supports did not exist, I am certain I would not be as healthy or have the same medical history that I do today. Thank you for the opportunity to testify, and I hope that you will support this bill in order to continue a positive cycle of informed care in Oregon.