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On Behalf Of: Self  
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Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB4088

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YES on HB 4088

Chair Prozanski, Vice-Chair Thatcher, and Members of the Senate Judiciary Committee,

My name is Taylor Thomas, and I live in rural Jackson County, Oregon. I am writing in strong support of HB 4088, the Strengthening Patient and Provider Privacy Act. I support clients navigating medical care and advocate for client rights. I care about the decisions that impact my tight knit rural community. I believe that personal health care decisions should be made between patients and their providers. HB 4088 helps protect that principle by strengthening Oregon's laws that safeguard access to reproductive health care and gender-affirming treatment when that care is lawful in our state.

Clients need to be able to trust the people that provide them care. Part of what makes Oregon my home is how we show up for our neighbors, community, family and friends. We need to remain safeguards and continue to show up for our community.

I support HB 4088 because it:

Limits the use of Oregon public resources to assist out-of-state investigations into care that is legal here

Strengthens confidentiality protections for sensitive health information

Protects providers from being penalized in Oregon for delivering lawful care

Helps ensure that people in our state can seek care safely and with dignity

In communities like mine, access to care and trust in the health system are already fragile. Clear protections for patients and providers help people feel safe seeking the care they need.

I urge you to vote YES on HB 4088.

Thank you for your service and consideration.

Sincerely,

Taylor Thomas

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Submitted as an individual