



February 23, 2026
RE: Pass HB 4088 A

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

My name is Esther Kim and on behalf of the Oregon Health Equity Alliance, we ask you to pass House Bill 4088 A.

OHEA is a people of color-led collaborative, advocating for racial justice informed health equity policies and practices since 2012. OHEA serves Clackamas, Multnomah, and Washington counties as one of nine regional health equity coalitions across Oregon.

Oregon's values make this one of the few states in the country where people can safely receive reproductive and gender affirming care, at least on paper. Increasing attempts to criminalize providers and patients and punish states for providing this essential care is creating material, dangerous conditions with providers leaving health systems and patients delaying or stopping care. It's critical we pass HB 4088 A. This bill ensures Oregon remains a safe place to receive and provide lawful healthcare without fear of surveillance, retaliation, or political interference by strengthening protections for provider privacy and safety, identifiable patient health data, and against out-of-state actions.

OHEA believes everyone deserves access to high quality, human centered health care. Right now, our federal administration is systematically targeting and taking away basic, life saving care for our transgender communities – from overreaching investigations into gender-affirming care for minors to executive orders, memos, and proposed rulemaking in explicitly targeted reproductive rights and LGBTQ+ health care access and funding. Over 400,000 transgender people have moved states since Trump's election. Oregon is one of nine states that doesn't have an active anti-trans bill being legislated in 2026.

HB 4088 A is complementary to other protective strategies Oregon is actively pursuing, like the multi-state lawsuit against the federal government for their violation of Title IX, setting illegal conditions for how federal funds could be spent, defined by an executive order that narrowed definitions of sex and denying trans identity. Vote YES on HB 4088 A to protect patients, providers, and privacy and continue to defend the excellent healthcare we provide to Oregonians.

Thank you for your time and commitment to the people of Oregon.

Oregon Health Equity Alliance (OHEA)