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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Rules

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB4075

Chair Bowman, Vice-Chair Elmer, Vice-Chair Pham and members of the committee on Rules;

Bay Area Hospital is a critical hospital on the Southern Oregon Coast. It takes in care from 4 other hospitals in Brookings, Bandon, Coquille and Reedsport.

Without Bay Area Hospital more serious cases would have to go to Medford or Eugene over roads which may or may not be closed during the winter. Brookings would have to travel 199 to get to Medford which is susceptible to rock slides in winter as well as OR 42 and OR 38. The COVID Pandemic and Kate Brown prohibiting elective surgeries put a huge strain on the hospital. The hospital has worked hard to start turning a profit but they need assistance to continue moving forward.

Please support HB 4075 and the dash 5 or 6 amendments