

May 9, 2013

The Honorable Jackie Winters, Co-Chair The Honorable Jennifer Williamson, Co-Chair Joint Committee on Ways and Means, Subcommittee on Public Safety

RE: HB 2087A

Co-chairs Winters and Williamson, committee members, I am William Hoefel Health Services Administrator at the Oregon Department of Corrections. I am here to testify in support of the House Bill 2087A.

The Department of Corrections worked with the Oregon Health Authority and the Oregon Department of Justice to develop the language in the proposed amendments.

The bill will allow the department to apply for Medicaid on behalf of an inmate who leaves our institution for an in-patient hospitalization. This will allow our department to realize a savings in health care costs.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I am happy to answer any questions you may have.

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