

Dear Chair Monnes Anderson and members of the committee,

On behalf of the Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons of Oregon, I would like to register our support for SB 757.

Following the 2014 session, an informal workgroup formed to look at the various incentive programs and how they are working and any changes that may be needed. One finding of this workgroup was that we lack the data and analysis to properly evaluate these programs and make policy decisions.

Analyzing Oregon's incentive programs will help us better identify what programs are funded adequately and where we need to invest more in order to recruit and retain physicians in rural and underserved areas, as well as identifying any programs that can be improved.

On behalf of our over 1,200 Osteopathic physicians, residents and medical students, I urge you to support SB 757.

Sincerely, David

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