



## **PacificSource Testimony in Support of HB 3517**

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Chair Monnes-Anderson and members of the Senate Healthcare Committee, thank you for the opportunity to provide comments in support of HB 3517.

PacificSource is an independent, not-for-profit health plan based in Oregon, serving commercial, Medicare and Medicaid members. We have been devoted to improving community health and increasing access to needed healthcare services, for many years and it is for this reason we urge your support of HB 3517.

HB 3517 is straight-forward, creating no new programs or costs. It simply enables the Oregon Health Authority to provide medical assistance to low-income children, who currently lack this option. We believe this bill is a right and necessary step, if we are to realize our state goals of better health, better care and lower costs. Ultimately, we believe the most compelling reason to pass the bill is because it is simply the right thing to do for Oregon's children.

We urge the committee's unanimous support of HB 3517. Please feel free to contact us with any questions.

Sincerely,

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