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OCHA Testimony in Favor of HB3517 Senate Health Care Committee 3 pm, May 6, 2015

Co-Chairs Monnes Anderson and Kruse and Senators Knopp, Shields and Steiner Hayward:

The Oregon Commission on Hispanic Affairs (OCHA) is urging you to approve HB 3517 which allows OHA to provide needed medical assistance, within available funds, to low income children to improve public health statewide.

Our children are Oregon's future and while we strive to provide them with great educations and a bright future, some low income children and their families are still excluded from the medical assistance needed to assure their good health. HB 3517 provides the necessary amendments to assure protection of the public health. It allows already existing funds to be used in already existing programs in support of these children.

Thank you for your positive consideration of HB 3517 which fixes this critical gap in public health.

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