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House Committee on Business and Labor Oregon State Capitol Building 900 Court St NE Salem, Oregon 97301

RE: Opposition to HB 2183 - Relating to oversight of health care facility structural requirements

Hon. Chair Holvey and Committee Members:

The City of Hillsboro opposes HB 2183 because it unnecessarily preempts the solution developed by health care facility stakeholders and regulatory agencies as part of the SB 886 work group assembled by the Governor's Office. The comprehensive recommendations identified by this work group are in the process of being implemented and should not be abandoned prematurely.

We participated in and support the stakeholders' recommended plan, and thus the City of Hillsboro cannot support this bill. We encourage the stakeholders to continue to work collaboratively with the agencies on implementing the plan developed by the SB 886 work group, and participating in a full and thorough evaluation in March 2018 as currently planned.

Thank you for considering this testimony.

Respectfully submitted:

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