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June 8, 2017

Co-Chair Senator Girod Co-Chair Representative Holvey

RE: Opposition to SB 1067

Dear Senator Girod & Representative Holvey:

On June 9, 2017 the Joint Ways and Means Subcommittee on Capitol Construction will hold a hearing on SB 0167. This letter is to inform you that I strongly OPPOSE SB 1067, which is a cost shift proposal disguised as cost containment for OEBB/PEBB.

Under SB 0167, it has been proposed to limit PEBB/OEBB rates for DRG hospitals to 185-200 percent of Medicare rates. If this occurs, there will be significant problems with both the rate-setting methodology and the concept of cost shifting public health care costs only to hospitals.

Please take opposition to SB 1067. This bill is counterproductive to health care transformation efforts and would set Oregon back in our efforts to control health care costs.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter. If I can be of additional service to you please feel free to contact me at 541-677-2466.

Sincerely,

Kelly C. Morgan

President/CEO

cc: Senator Jeff Kruse

Representative Dallas Heard