Members of the Committee,

I am greatly concerned about HB 2220 which would allow Dentist to administer vaccinations. This bill is a complete oversight on many levels:

1) Primary care physicians have established relationships with their patients. Physicians are aware of patient's past and current medical histories, have access to their complete medical records, and have the time to review contraindications and possible side effects to vaccines. Dentists do not.

2) There is substantial evidence that vaccines can cause severe and life altering side effects, including: Atypical Measles, Pancreatitis, Diabetes, Anaphylaxis, Bronchial Spasms, Arthritis, Rubella, Guillian-Barre Syndrome, Seizures, Encephalitis, Cyanosis, Vomiting, Limb Swelling, Invasive H. Influenzae Type B Disease, Meningitis, Decreased Appetite, Depressed Level of Consciousness, Screaming, Apnea, and Death. Dental offices do not possess the staff training or equipment to handle such unique events.

3) Records requests are not immediate between primary care offices and dental offices. Young children may receive duplicate doses of immunizations, doses too close together, or combinations of vaccines that should not be given within the same month.

This medical error would result in increases in serious side effects and possibly death. We select primary care physicians to oversee our health care and coordinate between other specialists. I would not see an Optometrist for a broken finger; they would not possess the skill set or equipment necessary for appropriate care so why would I see a Dentist to receive an immunization. This bill is dangerous and undermines primary care providers' relationships with their patients. Please vote NO on HB 2220.

Sincerely, Jessa Reinhardt Citizen- Columbia County, OR