

HB2348 requires that no processed meat be served and defines processed meat as  
"(c) "Processed meat" means meat and poultry that has been transformed through salting, curing, fermentation, smoking or any other process, other than cooking, to enhance  
flavor or improve preservation, including but not limited to hot dogs, sausages, bacon and turkey bacon."  
It seems the no processing requirement includes even meat that is prepared healthfully, such as the use of herbs on meat or marinated meat as part of a meal. It does not make sense to disallow salt in one component of a meal but not in another.

I also think this bill will put Oregon hospitals at a financial disadvantage because of funding structures that are based on patient satisfaction. Currently hospitalized patient's that have the types of processed meats they can choose limited are less satisfied with their hospital stay. It is human nature to make long term lifestyle changes only when one feels it is by their own free choice.