

Today I am writing to ask for your support of measure HB 2970.

Myself and many other estheticians in Oregon have based our skincare practices around non-invasive, perfectly safe devices that we received in depth training in. Many of these devices, such as LED and microcurrent, are even available for the non-professional to purchase and safely use at home.

This bill would allow us to continue to use those tools, while keeping devices such as lasers and chemical peels, which are more dangerous, safely out of our scope, only to be used by advanced estheticians, under the direct supervision of a medical Dr.. If this bill does not pass, I fear that my business, and many of my fellow practitioners' businesses, may close.

I estimate that if this bill does not pass, and I am prohibited from using my tools, I will lose at least 25 to 35k in income next year.

Skincare is my passion and has been my main source of income for 25 years. I have been using the same devices (microcurrent, microdermabrasion and high frequency) for this entire time. My income from services using these devices accounts for more than 70% of my income. I would have to close my business if this bill does not pass.

Skincare businesses have suffered dearly during the pandemic, from being forced to close, and then to reopen with many new costs and covid protocols. Many of our businesses are barely hanging on, and having our perfectly safe tools taken away from us would be detrimental to our livelihoods.

Thank you for your consideration.
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