



Service Employees International Union – Oregon State Council
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Support for HB 2360

Chair Patterson, Vice Chair Knopp, and Members of the Committee,

For the record, my name is Renato Quintero, and I am a janitor working at Intel in Hillsboro and Vice President of Property Services on SEIU 49's executive board. I am here to speak in support of HB 2360.

I am a green card holder in the United States and many of my fellow co-workers are immigrants to this country. Through our union we have affordable health care that does not discriminate based on our immigration status, but many of our family and friends do not. When the Trump Administration proposed the new public charge rule, it created so much fear, anxiety, and confusion, leading immigrants to avoid seeking health care, avoid enrolling in the Oregon Health Plan, and avoid seeking other sources of support.

Oregon now has a charity care program that is a model for the country. We should make sure that everyone has access to the program and no immigrant has to choose between affordable health care and US citizenship.

HB 2360 would ensure that no matter who is President of the United States, immigrant families in Oregon don't need to decide whether to seek affordable, quality health care. I ask for your support for HB 2360.