



**SB 266-12 Amendment Testimony  
Relating to Staffing in Residential Care Facilities  
House Committee on Human Services  
May 17, 2021**

Chair Williams, Vice Chair Leif and members of the committee, thank you for the opportunity to testify on SB 266 concerning staffing in residential care, assisted living and memory care facilities. I am Ruth Gulyas, CEO of LeadingAge Oregon – the statewide association of not-for-profit and other mission-directed organizations consisting of nursing homes, residential care, assisted living, in-home care agencies, continuing care retirement facilities known as CCRCs and federally subsidized housing for low-income seniors.

LeadingAge Oregon had originally opposed previous versions of this bill. We are appreciative of the ongoing negotiations that arrived at what we believe to be a workable approach to assure that there are sufficient staff within residential care facilities to meet the scheduled and unscheduled needs of residents. We now support the -A12 amendments.

Thank you for the opportunity to present written testimony with you today.