

As I understand SB428, it is to extend the time line and needed funding for the continuation of the Task Force on Universal Health Care. This Task Force was created by the legislators passing SB770. I have watched some of the proceedings of the Task Force. I am impressed with the job they have been given and the sincerity that they have taken on their responsibility. It is a big job. The Task Force is working through every detail, to name a few; ERISA, Federal Funding, Impact on Providers, and Hospitals, and the needs of the people. The legislature needs to know what is necessary to create a universal health care system in Oregon so that everyone has the ability to have their health care needs met. It would be such a waste of time, effort, and money to not allow them to continue their work. SB770 was passed for a reason. I urge you to not let this Task Force become a victim to the Pandemic.