

I am writing in support of SJR 12. So many Oregonians do not currently have access to cost-effective, clinically appropriate and affordable health care. As a long time service industry worker I can say that it is very atypical for small businesses to provide healthcare for employees. Low income workers must bear the burden themselves. In my experience, the healthcare marketplace offers insurance plans that are either ineffective, unaffordable, or both. I believe that access to healthcare is a basic human right, and should not be reserved for those who work in certain industries or fit into certain income brackets. I feel left out and overlooked by our current system and I live constantly in worry about how I would pay for a serious health issue should it arise. I support SJR 12 because every Oregonian should have access to healthcare.