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I live and work in Bend Oregon. I used to work in the Midwest where respect for patients and nursing staff are dismal. Staffing ratios were miserable, patients didn't receive safe care, and nurses regularly went without meals, breaks, and even bathroom breaks. When I moved to Oregon several years ago it seemed like heaven in the nursing world, staffing ratios were much better and I always had time for a water break. I have seen that begin to degrade now. Without passing this legislation Oregon will end up as dismal as the Midwest or the South. If that happens harm will come to patients and staff. Please pass HB 2697.