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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Behavioral Health and Health Care

Measure: HB2697

Chair Nosse, Vice Chair Goodwin and Vice Chair Nelson,

My name is Daniel Shaw and I live in Milwaukie, OR.

I urge you to vote for the Safe Staffing Bill HB 2697.

As a patient and as a worker, I know everyone is better off when we don't cut corners with short staffing. Healthcare isn't a place to cut corners or squeeze nurses into handling too many cases. The nature of our health care system consistently puts patients after profits. I've read a disturbing number of articles recently about how our health care system is stretching nurses dangerously thin, just to save a buck (<https://nyti.ms/3lYqONH>). These practices are costing human lives and making the situation worse as fed up/burnt out nurses leave the profession. Let's continue to be a leader in health care, nationwide, and provide the best possible care to Oregonians. That's why I urge you to, please, pass HB 2697. It will, literally, save lives.

Thank you!

Daniel