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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Behavioral Health and Health Care

Measure: HB2455

My name is Dr. K Hixson and I am a Licensed Professional Counselor in Portland, Oregon. I am writing to ask you to pass HB2455.

Please know that while Oregonians are in desperate need of mental health care, many qualified clinicians are leaving insurance panels or not even trying to get on them due to the fear, anxiety, and lack of transparency regarding all aspects of billing, documentation, and audits. Considering many of us are micro business owners, a clawback from an insurance audit would devastate us financially (and it has happened). All clinicians should know exactly what insurance companies expect in regards to billing codes, documentation standards, and treatment guidelines.

Thank you.