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On Behalf Of:  
Committee: House Committee On Higher Education  
Measure: HB3560

I OPPOSE HB 3560.

The voters pass Measure 109 to give the Oregon Health Authority two years to work with an advisory board in developing the regulatory framework for an entirely new industry, including licensing requirements for centers and facilitators and guidance on identifying clients' risk factors. To my knowledge, we still need to see OHA's plans.

The Oregon Psychiatric Physicians Association opposed the measure, saying further studies are needed to test the safety of the drug and warning that psilocybin --use – administered by a facilitator with as yet unspecified credentials – risks interfering with a client's prescribed medications or making mental health conditions worse.

Adding more entities to the exempt list only begs for an out-of-control regulation. Higher Education Coordinating Commission is not mentioned in the enabling statutes, and I object to them running studies on college students.