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On Behalf Of:

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Measure: HB2002

I want this committee to know that I oppose HB 2002. I believe it is a bad bill for Oregon. Oregon already has plenty of laws legalizing abortion and as liberal as our politics are that will not change any time soon. The Dobbs decision by the Supreme Court year does not violate state law on this issue. It literally puts the decision on the state to make and our state has made its position established already. This bill violates conservative citizens free speech rights by criminalizing prayer on public property any where near a facility providing abortions. It protects providers of abortion or abortion medication, which is not needed in our state because they already have the legal right in state law, but it violates the rights of providers to not take part in violating their conscience in these matters. I think our health care system is already in a crisis because we lost many health care providers over the COVID forced vaccine and many people lost their jobs over that and this will make that worse. It removes more rights of parents to properly be informed about the needs of their own children. If people want these procedures then they should pay for them like any other elective surgery is already being done. Our state has many other pressing matter for our tax dollars, this should not one of them. Children are too young to be making decisions influenced by people other than their family that will effect their future life so dramatically. We do not allow them to drink alcohol or use mind altering intoxicating and addictive substances and we have laws for age limits on pornography and even on consent laws for age limit on legal sex with adults, but our state wants to say these decisions are ok for minors to make for themselves. I think these decisions should be saved for an age when they truly understand the long term ramifications of their decision.