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**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

Testimony in Support of HB 3298  
House Committee on Behavioral Health and Health Care  
Monday, March 27th, 2023

Chair Nosse, Vice Chairs Goodwin and Nelson, members of the committee: thank you for taking time out of your very packed schedule today to hear this simple yet important bill.

For the record, my name is Lisa Reynolds and I serve as State Rep for House District. And – as I may have mentioned a few times before – I also work as a pediatrician serving children and their families in Washington County.

House Bill 3298 would provide funding for the Oregon Perinatal Collaborative at OHSU. In their own words, “the Oregon Perinatal Collaborative works together to advocate for improved maternal and neonatal outcomes through collaboration, implementation of evidence-based practice, and policy change throughout the state of Oregon.”

Colleagues, we know that the more support a baby receives the months and years surrounding their birth, the better their lifelong health outcomes will be. The Oregon Perinatal Collaborative is doing crucially important work to support the health of Oregon babies and parents, and increased funding would allow them to expand this work to more regions of the state and more communities which are currently underserved.

I won't take up any more of your time since you have several very qualified and knowledgeable panelists coming after, but I will end with this – for a relatively modest state investment, we can protect and improve the health and wellbeing of Oregon's babies for the rest of their lives. I urge your support of HB 3298.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lisa Reynolds". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Representative Lisa Reynolds, MD  
House District 34