

February 2, 2024

House Committee on Behavioral Health and Health Care
Oregon State Legislature
Salem, Oregon

RE: Support for House Bill 4010 Section 2

Chair Nosse and Members of the Committee,

As an Oregon parent, I am writing to strongly show my support for HB 4010 Section 2 (the "Bill"), which allows local pharmacies to continue flavoring medicine.

Oregon desperately needs to continue allowing pharmacies to provide flavored medicine; if not, it will add yet another burden to Oregon parents who are already struggling. Personally speaking, if this Bill doesn't pass, instead of going to our regular pharmacy – where they know our names and my children's preferences – I will have to drive to some specialty pharmacy to get a prescription. Surely if a parent doesn't want flavored medication, they can make that choice, but shouldn't there be a choice? Isn't there enough red tape in Oregon already, do you really want to make life more difficult for working parents?

I am respectfully asking the Oregon House Committee on Behavioral Health and Health Care to think very carefully of parents and their children. This Bill isn't merely about convenience, it is a lifeline to working parents when caring for sick children.

Sincerely,

/s/ Amaya Bilbao Cromwell

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