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On Behalf Of:
Committee: House Committee On Labor and Workplace Standards
Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2792

RE: Support for HB 2792

To the House Committee On Labor and Workplace Standards,

I work in the healthcare field for Providence. It describes itself as a non-profit, but that is not how it operates. It is outrageous that in Oregon hospitals and health systems spend extravagantly on replacement workforces, with money that could be spent on a fair contract for staff nurses.

We should know the extent of hospital employer avoidance of spending productively towards a fair contract.

Please support passage of House Bill 2792, which will require hospitals to report the amount they spend on recruiting and paying individuals to replace striking workers during a strike or lockout. This should be public information. I am sure it is an extravagant amount and those funds should go to support the workers who do that work day in and day out, and need sustainable jobs. We need them!

Thank you,
Sarah Carlson