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RE: Testimony in Support of HB 2792

To the House Committee on Labor and Workplace Standards:

My name is Dr. Jennifer Lincoln, and I am an OB Hospitalist at Providence St. Vincent Medical Center currently on Day 31 of our historic strike.

I implore you to pass this bill that would force billion dollar organizations like Providence to disclose how much money they have wasted on strike replacement workers - money they could have used to help our community and also a tiny fraction of which could have easily paid for the financial improvements to our contracts we are working so hard to get.

Providence has repeatedly told us they have no money to improve things like staff salaries, retroactive pay for nurses, and hiring more nurses to improve safe staffing. Yet they have the millions of dollars they spend every week on our replacements? While refusing to bargain in good faith? This math doesn't add up, and if this bill is passed they will be forced to show Oregonians just how much money they have wasted on this strike.

And most importantly: if they know they'll have to come clean on strike expenditures, maybe they'll actually work hard for once to prevent strikes in the first place.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comment and I look forward to your support, Dr. Jennifer Lincoln