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Greetings legislators and staff,

In the interest of full disclosure and transparency, which the citizens of this country and state believe in and seek, we must pass House Bill 2792. All employers should be held accountable during contract negotiations and it is up to the state to pass this legislation in order to support good faith and ethical bargaining.

Oregonians deserve to know how their money is spent—especially if it's being misspent. Our hospitals and health systems are community resources which rely on our tax dollars and tax exemptions. As our health systems expand and Oregonians' healthcare becomes more expensive, our community needs more information to perform our oversight responsibilities and ensure the benefits today's healthcare systems provide outweigh the bills they charge.

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.

HB 2792 shines a light where bad-actor hospital employers prefer to operate in the dark.

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