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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,

My sons were both delivered at a Providence hospital in Oregon. The nursing staff was phenomenal both times.

It is very sad to me that these in red nurses are not being taken care of by the hospitals they work at. Nurses and doctors deserve excellent pay and benefits and safe staffing levels. If those nurses and doctors go on strike for these things, they and their patients deserve to know how much their replacements are being paid.

If the hospitals are paying the replacement nurses more than the regular staff that would certainly be good to know when the nurses are bargaining for a fair contract. If the hospitals can afford to pay the nurses more the patients also deserve to know so they can support hospitals that have their patients best interest in mind. Happy, safe, well paid and well supported staff result in better patient outcomes.

Thank you for accepting my testimony and I look forward to your support.
Victor Hungerford