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I am fully in support of SB943. I have been a practicing audiologist for 8 years and have personally seen how changes in our healthcare system have negatively affected patient care. In a post-pandemic world, we are looking at longer wait times to see specialists, a shortage of primary care providers, and general frustration from patients and providers alike. Oftentimes, when I refer patients to another specialist for imaging or additional testing, they end up completely lost to follow up. SB 943 would enable me to work at the height of my doctoral degree, improve patient care and access, and expedite urgent matters that cannot wait months to fugee out.