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Charity Steffin

Employment Team Manager
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Re: SB 5511

Dear Charity,

I received your email requesting a short bio of my experience and vocational background.

I have worked as a private vocational rehabilitation counselor since 1980. The majority of my work has been assisting injured workers back to suitable and gainful employment. Over the years I have worked with hundreds of workers developing training plans and providing direct employment services.

I began working with the Preferred Worker Program several years ago providing vocational assistance services to qualified workers. It is my opinion that this program is essential in assisting preferred workers to transition back into the workforce. I have discovered that through follow-up contact with the workers and employers that a very high percentage were pleased with placement and the services they were provided. I have been impressed with how preferred workers learn about their benefits, through workshops that are held in Counties all over Oregon. I have attended several of these workshops and they are well planned and flawlessly executed.

It is my opinion that the Preferred Worker Program has been highly successful in my geographic area of Jackson and Josephine County, I highly support the Preferred Worker Program and I am also in support of Senate Bill 511. Thank You.

Respectfully Submitted,



Albert J. Logan

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