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Chair Nosse, Vice Chair Javadi & Members of the Committee Senate Committee on Behavioral Health and Health Care 2025 Oregon Legislative Session

I am writing to you in support of HB 2676 that if passed would enact the DDH Compact in Oregon.

I am a retired dental hygienist. I live in Portland, OR.

I support the DDH Compact because licensees and patients will benefit from license portability to practice within states that are already participating in the compact.

There are many benefits of license portability, such as: reducing practitioner burdens associated with obtaining and maintaining multistate licenses (a benefit especially helpful for Military spouses needing to relocate), expanded consumer access to highly qualified dental healthcare practitioners, and enhanced public safety by facilitating increased practitioner mobility during health emergencies.

I strongly urge you to refer HB 2676 to the House with a do pass recommendation.

Sincerely,

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