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TO: The Honorable Kathleen Taylor, Chair
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SUBJECT: SB 907

Chair Taylor and members of the committee, I am André Ourso, Administrator for the Center for Health Protection within the Oregon Health Authority. Both Oregon Medical Marijuana Program (OMMP) and Oregon Psilocybin Services (OPS) are sections within the Center for Health Protection.

SB 907 requires licensed psilocybin manufacturers, marijuana producers and processors, and registered medical marijuana grow sites and processing sites to file proof that the owner of real property where the license is located consents to the licensed or registered operation.

OMMP and OPS already have requirements in both statute and administrative rule to obtain consent from a property owner before registering medical marijuana growers or issuing a psilocybin manufacturer license.

- For the Oregon Medical Marijuana Program, ORS Chapter 475C already requires growers to obtain consent from property owners to grow cannabis on the property. The program has established administrative rules and processes for applicants to submit this information, and the program's registration system has been built to support this process. In addition, OMMP has a process in place where a property owner may contact the program and withdraw consent. See ORS 475C.792, OAR 333-008-0020(4)(e), and OAR 333-008-0730(3)(a)(C).
- For Oregon Psilocybin Services, ORS Chapter 475A also already requires applicants to gain landowner approval for manufacturer licenses. The section has already established

administrative rules and processes for applicants to submit this information, and the licensing system has been built to support this process. See ORS 475A.290(3)(a) and OAR 333-333-4200(4)(b)(C).

Oregon Health Authority is committed to the safe, effective and equitable administration of both these programs. As written, SB 907 conflicts with existing confidentiality provisions in statute, and may create additional costs for medical marijuana grow site registration, medical marijuana processing site registration, and psilocybin manufacturer licenses. As a result, both programs' application costs may increase. Low income and underserved communities may assume the additional costs to navigate this additional requirement.

- Approximately 61% of registered OMMP patients qualify for reduced application fees due to low income or veteran status.
- Approximately one-third of OPS applicants qualify for reduced licensing fees due to low income or veteran status.

In summary, Oregon Medical Marijuana Program (OMMP) and Oregon Psilocybin Services (OPS) already require applicants to obtain consent from a property owner before registering growers or issuing a psilocybin manufacturer license.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this information.