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I am opposed to this bill for the following reasons:

1. I personally knew a man with ALS. He decided on assisted suicide without asking about the drug cocktail. His transition from life to death was not smooth. The drug cocktail burned, he was extremely uncomfortable during the process, and it was painful for him.
2. The waiting period will be shortened from 15 days to 48 hours which makes this a hasty decision without weighing the process like the above man in paragraph one.. The doctor can also waive the waiting period if the patient requests it and the doctor determines that the patient will die before the end of the waiting period.
3. Oregon used to known as the innovative state with the bottle bill. Nowadays, we are nationally known as the promoter of a death culture. Is this what Oregonians are going to be nationally known for is the death state?

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