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I am support of this bill for the following reasons:

1. My Uncle George owned and operated the second pharmacy in the St. Helens area. When the only pharmacist died in Scapoose then he bought that pharmacy. A pharmacist in a small town is like the town doctor. You don't want to drive him out of business.
2. My Uncle would not have able to stay in business if he had been subject to the Corporate Activity Tax (CAT). I have seen many small town pharmacies in Madras, Klamath Falls, and other rural towns see their small time pharmacies close due to the tax burden. The CAT tax is impacting rural Oregon. Rural Oregon residents do not have the option to go elsewhere to get their medical and pharmaceutical needs fulfilled like Portland area residents. This is an unfair tax on rural Oregon and small business.
3. There is a small housekeeping matter that needs to be added to this bill. On Section 1 under eligible pharmacy, add compounding pharmacy. It should read eligible pharmacy or compounding pharmacy.

Thank you,

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