

Submitter: Lorne Bigley

On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Behavioral Health and Health Care

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3439

I oppose HB 3439, and concur with the testimony provided by Oregon Medical Association, Courtni Dresser, Vice President of Government Relations.

As a family physician who practices primary care, on the surface, it appears primary care is primary care, but one's background has a lot to do with the ability to detect serious conditions. My training and practice experience includes years of inpatient work, taking care of patients with severe illnesses. This experience is one of the skills that separates me from a naturopathic physician. When you are seeing your physician, you want them to have experience in managing a wide variety of conditions.

Please vote NO on this measure.

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