

Submitter: Armand Dubber

On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Behavioral Health and Health Care

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2029

Dear Chairman Nosse and Members of the House Committee on Behavioral Health and Health Care:

My name is Armand Dubber and I am a LPC.

I am a therapist in the Portland metro area of Oregon and have been practicing for 5 years.

I am writing this letter in support of HB2029.

Insurance audits are abusive and unfair and limit access to care to the people of Oregon. Please help stop this practice. Not only is this practice causing harm to clients and limiting access to care, it is also extremely harmful for therapists.

Therapists live in fear that we will lose our entire livelihood, especially those of us with small private practices. I myself am a single mother and I rely on my income alone to keep the lights on, pay the rent and feed my child. Every counselor I know lives in dread of an audit, that it might end their practice or cause them to lose their house. This is not ok. Please stand up for hardworking and compassionate Oregon counselors who hold space for so many people in our fair state.

Thank you for supporting this bill.

Sincerely,

Armand