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I am an LPC practicing in Oregon, and I am in support of this bill. The possibility of fines and repayment of services rendered via an insurance audit causes me anxiety and fear of sudden financial insecurity. The rules and expectations set by insurance companies are unclear and not clearly communicated to providers. Working with insurance companies feels extremely risky, leading many providers to refuse to work with insurance and making mental health care less accessible to Oregon residents. Providers deserve transparency around expectations and protection of payment for services provided. Oregon residents deserve more accessible mental health services. Please pass this bill.