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On Behalf Of:	Pivot Behavioral Health LLC
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 Brea Di Dato and I am a Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner, I own a group psychiatry practice that provides psychiatry services to children and adults across the state of Oregon and have been practicing in Oregon 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. In no other type of business is it legal to recoup or claw back money for services that were provided years later with little to no explanation and no warnings. It is devastating to small private practices. I take insurance at our practice because I believe in people using their paid benefits. I am desperately trying to ensure that mental health is accessible and affordable for Oregonians by contracting with their insurance networks. But taking insurance leaves my business incredibly financially vulnerable. These predatory behaviors are why so many in private practice stop taking insurance. Imagine being scared you can't run payroll to pay your hard working staff because you just got a 10k clawback for services that were rendered 16 months prior. Not to mention that we are stuck in contracted pay rates for 3-5 years, no pay increases allowed even though our cost of running the business increases every single year. Insurance companies are abusive to providers and practices. Paying us only for minutes in a session and then burdening us with prior authorizations, audits, clawbacks, documentation and coding changes. We fight for every dang penny we earn and continue to fight to keep what we earned years later. Make. It. Stop.

Thank you for supporting this bill.
Sincerely
Brea Di Dato
Psychiatric and Family Nurse Practitioner
Owner of Pivot Behavioral Health.