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Chair Patterson and Members of the Senate Committee on Health Care,

My name is Erin Greenberg, and I am a Certified Nutrition Specialist candidate currently working in Oregon. I represent myself and other Certified Nutrition Specialist candidates, and future CNS's who are dedicated to providing evidence-based, whole-person nutrition care to our communities. I am writing to express my strong support for SB1174, which establishes a clear licensure pathway for Certified Nutrition Specialists in Oregon.

As a nutrition professional, I work closely with individuals to support their health through targeted, science-backed nutrition interventions. This bill would allow Certified Nutrition Specialists like myself to continue practicing without unnecessary barriers, ensuring that Oregonians have access to high-quality nutrition care. Additionally, the amendments proposed in Section 36 are critical, as they will allow me and others to maintain our current licensure and transition seamlessly to a nutritionist license when it becomes available.

SB1174 will directly impact both my practice and the people I serve in the following ways:

- Increased Access to Care: The ability to bill insurance would make nutrition services more accessible, especially for underserved populations who need preventative care the most.
- Professional Recognition: This bill ensures that qualified nutrition professionals can practice within their scope without unnecessary restrictions.
- Improved Public Health Outcomes: As nutrition plays a foundational role in managing chronic conditions, supporting a clear licensure pathway will help Oregon residents receive evidence-based nutrition care from appropriately trained professionals.

I urge you to support SB1174 and its proposed amendments, ensuring that Certified

Nutrition Specialists can continue serving their communities without unnecessary barriers. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Erin Greenberg, MS, CN, CNS candidate