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I am writing in support of SB 293-1 to ensure that incarcerated individuals have fair access to essential healthcare needs. Navigating the healthcare system to secure needed care can be hard enough for literally any of us, but if you're in custody, you're stuck with what the State gives you. That presents a greater responsibility for our institutions and the greater public to ensure that people in custody are getting proper care.

No one should be denied care for a pre-existing condition, or left in a position where they are released out of custody on the back-foot due to untreated conditions. It is also very reasonable to demand better documentation when care is denied or refused.

Please support this bill.

Thank you, Tabitha Boschetti: Portland, OR