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On Behalf Of: Mr Oregon OPPOSES SB 535
Committee: Senate Committee On Health Care
Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB535

I OPPOSE [SB 535].

The issues raised in [SB 535] have been studied to death.

From the Text of [SB 535], "... SECTION 3. (1) The Oregon Health Authority, in collaboration with the Department of Consumer and Business Services, shall study access to fertility and reproductive endocrinology services by residents of this state, including:

- (a) Availability and utilization of fertility and reproductive endocrinology services in the commercial health insurance markets, self-insured health plans and the state medical assistance program;
- (b) Financial and access barriers to obtaining fertility and reproductive endocrinology services including assisted reproductive technology; and
- (c) Inequities in access to fertility and reproductive endocrinology services based on race, ethnicity, gender identity, sexual orientation, income, marital status, immigration status and disability..."

The 'study' involving, "... The Oregon Health Authority, in collaboration with the Department of Consumer and Business Services..." is going to be very expensive.

Consultants will most likely be retained.

There will be the need to hire more staff in both, "The Oregon Health Authority and Department of Consumer and Business Services" with corresponding overheads.

There is 'No' budget allocation and or funding source(s) identified to pay for [SB 535].

Corporations to small businesses should not be compelled by statute to provide the services.

Unless the aforementioned services in [SB 535] are voluntarily part of a Health Plan Benefit.

*** [SB 535] for the reasons stated above is incompetently constructed and therefore should be rejected and denied with prejudice.

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