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On Behalf Of: Mr Oregon OPPOSES HB 2915

Committee: Senate Committee On Judiciary

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2915

I OPPOSE [HB 2915] with prejudice.

From the TEXT of [HB 2915], "...SECTION 1. ORS 179.505 is amended to read:

- (17)(a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this subsection, a health care services provider must obtain an authorization from an individual or a personal representative of the individual to disclose psychotherapy notes.
- ...(b) A health care services provider may use or disclose psychotherapy notes without obtaining an authorization from the individual or a personal representative of the individual to carry out the following treatment, payment and health care operations:
- ... (B) Disclosure by the health care services provider for its own training program in which students, trainees or practitioners in mental health learn under supervision to practice or improve their skills in group, joint, family or individual counseling;..."
- *** [HB 2915] appears, "...to disclose psychotherapy notes... for its own training program in which students, trainees or practitioners in mental health learn under supervision to practice or improve their skills in group, joint, family or individual counseling;..."
- *** Do "...students, trainees or practitioners in mental health..." make mistakes with HIPPA (Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act) with "Protected Health Information?"
- *** The List of personal injuries could go on ad infinitum.

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Mr. Oregon Concurs and says, "Ah, the welcomed perfume of Punitive Damages is in the air, again."