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On Behalf Of:
Committee: House Committee On Rules
Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3838

To whom It may concern.

My name is Daniela Lucescu. I am an Adult Foster Home provider in Clackamas county. I am urging you to vote no on HB 3838.

These bill mandates an unelected board appointed by the Governor that would "standardize wages for caregivers" but does not take into consideration the small "mom and pop" adult care homes that rely on very low reimbursements compared to the larger facilities. This is not fair and would DEVASTATE our small businesses!

Oregon has a history of providing excellent long term care to our most frail and vulnerable Oregonians. Don't bankrupt our adult care homes and force them to close their small businesses because of this misguided bill!

Seiu503 intends to mislead our elected officials to believe that this workforce board is the answer to equity...this is a way to grow their membership when for many years they FAILED to advocate for the care home providers. SEIU misled the sponsors of this bill and DO NOT have our best interests in mind and did not even consult their own local 858 AFH Bargaining unit before submitting this bill. SEIU 503 has voted no on past bills to increase reimbursement rates, why now are they trying to gain control over providers?!

Oregon care facilities already follow all employment and Boli laws so adding another layer of bureaucracy and oversight accomplishes nothing other than to make small business feel strangled and inevitably closes their doors. Oregon has lost many businesses already in the last few years please don't add to this growing list.

Thank you for your time and consideration.