

Submitter: Trevor Phillips

On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Behavioral Health and Health Care

Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB951

House Chair and Committee members,

My name is Trevor Phillips. As a practicing Emergency Room doctor who has worked in Salem for nearly 17 years, I am writing today in emphatic support of SB 951.

There is no patient centric reason for private equity to own, manage or control physician groups. There is a growing body of research and data that quantifies the harms to patients brought by the inappropriate corporate practice of medicine. It is essential to have physician groups be owned and operated by clinicians who know and care for patients.

Physicians are best positioned to understand their patients needs and community expectations.

Please remember that the largest source of bias (ie, the introduction of non random error) is that of a financial bias. There will likely be large organizations who will come out to oppose this common sense legislation. Please do your best to understand their motivations to do so. These large private equity backed entities don't have licenses or board certifications or years rigorous medical training. Physicians do.

Please protect the patients, community members and Oregonians that I care for by voting yes on SB 951.

Sincerely, Trevor Phillips, MD

Long time resident of South Salem, HD-19 / SD-10