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On Behalf Of:
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Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3824
To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Sterling Jones PT, DPT serving our community in the Eugene/Springfield area. HB 3824 is an important step in helping to create better access and improved quality of care for patients in Oregon. There are many portions of this that are important for the care of our community including being able to order images, prescribe durable equipment, and perform tissue manipulation techniques including dry needling.

Please help not handicap the patients in our community by passing this bill. Physical therapists have extensive training about anatomy and physiology in both undergrad and graduate school counting for hundreds of hours of practice and learning. Physical therapists are trained in the manipulation and evaluation of muscle tissue which is what the techniques of dry needling does. Oregon is one of the few states that is inhibiting the treatment of their patient population due to this restriction.

Regards,

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