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Senate Committee On Health Care HB3824

May 9, 2025 Deborah Moon 9822 SW 57th Ave. Portland, OR 97219 Opposition to HB 3824

Dear Chair Patterson, Vice-Chair Hayden and Members of the Committee, I have lived in Oregon for 25 years (and commuted to work here for 8 years before that).

As a 67-year-old athlete, I have used a variety of medical providers for recovery from various injuries and surgeries. I find it helpful to have a range of providers including physical therapists, an acupuncturist and chiropractors in addition to my primary care doctor and orthopedic surgeons. I have found all have expertise that aids my recovery and enables me to get back on my bicycle and other activites. I cherish their individual expertise and what each brings to my recovery.

I am concerned that HB 3824 is too wide reaching and could easily result in a "jackof-all-trades approach" to physical therapy. I want each of my health care providers to be the "master" of their specialty.

I am especially concerned with the section that expands the physical therapy scope of practice to allow "needle insertion." I feel that is too broad, as are other areas of the bill.

Please do not rush this bill to passage. I think input from physicians, acupuncturists, and other medical professionals, in addition to physical therapists should Sincerely,

Deborah Moon