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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Health Care

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3409

The Honorable Members of the Oregon Legislature  
Oregon State Capitol  
900 Court St. NE  
Salem, OR 97301

RE: Support for HB 2385 – Protecting Access to the 340B Drug Pricing Program

Dear Chair and Members of the Committee:

On behalf of concerned resident I write to express our strong support for House Bill 2385, legislation designed to protect the integrity and sustainability of the 340B Drug Pricing Program for safety-net providers across Oregon. Remember there is a reason why big manufacturers are here today, and it is because they do not have the answers. It is better to do something than to do nothing.

As a user of these medications, we rely on the 340B program to stretch limited federal resources. The cost savings made possible by this program allow us to provide discounted medications, expand access to preventive care, and reinvest in essential health services that improve outcomes for vulnerable populations.

HB 2385 addresses a growing concern: pharmacy benefit managers (PBMs) and third-party payers undermining the intent of the 340B program through discriminatory reimbursement practices and contract restrictions. Without legislative safeguards, the financial viability of this vital program is at risk—jeopardizing patient access to affordable medication and care across Oregon.

Passage of HB 2385 would ensure that covered entities, including Federally Qualified Health Centers, Critical Access Hospitals, and others, can continue using 340B savings to reinvest in their communities without interference or undue financial pressure from PBMs.

We urge the Legislature to stand with Oregon's safety-net providers and the communities we serve by advancing HB 2385.

Thank you for your consideration and continued commitment to equitable health access for all Oregonians.

Sincerely,