

**SENATE COMMITTEE ON  
EARLY CHILDHOOD AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH**

February 18, 2025  
01:00 PM

Hearing Room E

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Sen. Lisa Reynolds, Chair  
Sen. Dick Anderson, Vice-Chair  
Sen. Chris Gorsek  
Sen. Deb Patterson

**MEMBER(S) EXCUSED:** Sen. Diane Linthicum

**STAFF PRESENT:** Katie Hart, LPRO Analyst  
Mike Reiley, Sr. Committee Assistant

**EXHIBITS:** Exhibits from this meeting are available [here](#)

**MEASURES/ISSUES:** SB 691 – Public Hearing  
SB 692 – Public Hearing  
SB 693 – Public Hearing

**00:00:01** Meeting Called to Order  
**00:00:02** Chair Reynolds

**00:02:20** **SB 691 - Public Hearing**  
**00:02:21** Chair Reynolds  
**00:02:43** Katie Hart, LPRO Analyst  
**00:03:10** Diana Smith, Lead Clinician, Project Nurture, Legacy Health; Johns Hopkins Public Health Fellow  
**00:08:48** Rep. Kim Wallan, House District 6  
**00:10:38** Josh Reagan, Medical Lead, Project Nurture, Providence Portland  
**00:13:35** Nicole Clark, Primary Alcohol and Drug Counselor, Project Nurture, Legacy Health  
**00:16:24** Sen. Gorsek  
**00:16:46** Emily Culbertson, BestCare Treatment Services  
**00:19:18** Lola Jones, Director, Samaritan House; Housing Specialist, Lincoln County Nurture Program  
**00:22:42** Julia Tasset, Oregon Section, American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists; American Medical Association  
**00:25:56** Syrrita Mason, Peer Support/Recovery Mentor, Oregon Health and Science University (OHSU)  
**00:27:35** Julie Bennette, specialty doula, Project Nurture

**00:29:46** Angie Fitzpatrick, Executive Director, Baby Blues Connection  
**00:32:16** Rashelle Zacarias, Addiction and Substance Abuse Counselor, Portland  
**00:34:15** Katherine Sanchez-Navarro Peterson, Compass Perinatal Family and Community Support  
**00:36:21** Lori Swain, Certified Nurse-Midwife, Legacy Health Silverton; past recipient, Scholars for a Healthy Oregon

**00:39:11** **SB 692 and SB 693 - Public Hearing**  
**00:39:12** Chair Reynolds  
**00:40:01** Katie Hart, LPRO Analyst  
**00:40:22** Dana Hepper, Director of Policy and Advocacy, Children's Institute  
**00:43:34** Roberta Hunte, Assistant Professor, School of Social Work, Portland State University  
**00:48:40** Rep. Travis Nelson, House District 44  
**00:52:10** Elizabeth Gary, Certified Nurse Midwife, Oregon Health and Science University (OHSU)  
**00:55:02** Donovan Scribes, father, Portland  
**00:57:49** Tamara Martinez, Founder, Ceadoula International  
**01:00:23** Aaron Caughey, Professor and Chair, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Oregon Health and Science University (OHSU); Medical Director, Oregon Perinatal Collaborative  
**01:04:04** Iris Bicksler, Board President, Oregon Doula Association  
**01:06:51** Silke Akerson, Executive Director, Oregon Perinatal Collaborative  
**01:09:48** Emily Yeast, Oregon Affiliate, American College of Nurse Midwives  
**01:12:13** Josh Reagan, Medical Lead, Project Nurture, Providence Portland  
**01:14:18** Jennifer Atkisson, Association of Women's Health, Obstetric and Neonatal Nurses (AWHONN); Staff Nurse, Providence Willamette Falls  
**01:17:34** Jesse Remer, Founder, MotherTree International  
**01:19:42** Mary Anne Cooper, Director of Public Affairs and Government Relations, Regence BlueCross BlueShield of Oregon  
**01:22:23** Julie Bennette, specialty doula, Project Nurture  
**01:25:15** Alyson Larkin, Co-Director and Co-Founder, Yamhill Valley Community Doulas  
**01:27:21** Jacquelyn Clemmons-Muhammad, Founder and CEO, Okionu Birth Foundation  
**01:31:05** Katie Minich, doula, Albany  
**01:33:17** Katherine Sanchez-Navarro Peterson, Fellow, Policy Center for Maternal Mental Health  
**01:35:55** Ashley Ulmer, Certified Nurse Midwife, Adventist Health Portland Women's Clinic  
**01:38:54** Meeting Adjourned