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As a retired physician, I believe health care is a human right.  
I agree Oregon Senate Bill 1570 (2026), known as the "Healthcare Without Fear Act," aims to protect patient privacy and restrict federal immigration enforcement (ICE) access to private areas in healthcare facilities without a valid judicial warrant. It requires hospitals to protect patient immigration status and bans retaliation against staff who provide "know your rights" information, with enforcement via the Oregon Health Authority.