

## **SB 1504 - Support Safe Administration of Epinephrine**

Chair Patterson, Vice-chair Hayden, and members of the Senate Committee on Healthcare,

**Senate Bill 1504** would update current Oregon law to include additional methods of administering life-saving epinephrine for potentially life-threatening situations in Oregon schools.

Historically, pre-measured doses of epinephrine were only able to be administered via an auto-injector – which would inject the epinephrine into a large muscle, such as the side of the leg. With new advancements in medication stability and storage, new routes of delivering epinephrine now include the intranasal and sublingual route. The intranasal form of epinephrine was [approved by the FDA in 2024](#). Intranasal epinephrine could be more easily administered than intramuscular epinephrine and is potentially safer for the student as well as the person giving the epinephrine<sup>1</sup>.

SB 1504 is a commonsense bill that removes barriers and decreases the time to providing life-saving epinephrine in emergency situations.

**The Oregon Emergency Nurses Association supports SB 1504** and asks the committee to move SB 1504 forward with a “do pass” recommendation and we look forward to the success of this bill.

With Gratitude,

### **Oregon Emergency Nurses Association**

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Sources:

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