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On Behalf Of:

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Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB1570

I am writing to support SB1570, Healthcare without Fear, legislation that has been spearheaded by the Oregon Nurses Association. The legislation is based on California SB81, which was enacted in 2025.

Across Oregon, health care providers are reporting that patients are delaying or avoiding medically necessary care due to fear of immigration enforcement in health care settings. When people avoid care, the consequences affect not only individual patients but public health and community safety statewide.