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Timothy G. Sekerak
Chief Clerk of the House
State Capitol Building H-271
Salem, Oregon 97301
Re: Vote Explanation on HB 2010

Dear Tim,

In compliance with HR 3.35 I respectfully submit in writing an Explanation of Vote on HB 2010 Relating to funding to improve access to health care.

I voted NO on HB 2010 for the following reasons and more...

To begin with, it is incredibly difficult to be successful in small business in Oregon; this bill will unfairly fall on small businesses.

Furthermore, House Committee on Health Care Vice Chair Cedric Hayden proposed multiple amendments to better the legislation which were not considered by the majority party. The legislation also severely impacts our lower-income working families. As individual pay increases, many families are being kicked off state-assisted health care, although they cannot afford private insurance. These Oregonians will be impacted financially, thus taking more dollars away from their ability to provide themselves and their family insurance.

Further, Vice Chair Hayden proposed more amendments to HB 2864 (-1 & -2) that would have assisted small businesses in covering the costs associated with HB 2010.

I encourage any interested to view the Floor Debate on this legislation, especially that from Committee Vice Chair, Representative Cedric Hayden's comments on the floor.

Respectfully,

Carl Wilson

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