## SHELLY BOSHART DAVIS STATE REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 15



## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

March 7, 2023

Timothy G. Sekerak Chief Clerk of the House State Capitol Building Salem, OR 97301

RE: Vote Explanation on HB 2395-A

Dear Chief Clerk Sekerak,

Please accept this letter as my official vote explanation on House Bill 2395.-A

As a parent of three children, I would want to know if my kids were struggling with substance abuse. However, section 15 of HB 2395 would allow them to get treatment without parental notification or consent.

Section 21 would also repeal prohibitions on pipes used for illicit drugs. Oregon has gone too far to relax our drug laws, and the consequences are devastating. Oregon has the worst drug problems in the nation. We shouldn't be surprised that overdoses increase when we make it easier to use drugs.

There are good parts of this bill. It will help save the lives of those who overdose, but it does nothing to encourage those struggling with addiction to stop doing drugs. It just makes it easier to survive an overdose. We can do better.

Respectfully submitted into the House record,

Shelly Boshart Davis

Oregon State Representative

District 15