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Dear Members of the House Healthcare Committee,

I am writing this email in support of HB 4108 (Anesthesiologist Assistant), as I would like to return to the Northwest, specifically, the state of Oregon to practice anesthesia within the auspices of the anesthesia care team, which is under the direction of an anesthesiologist.

My son, Fabian and I were literally up in the Portland area visiting my good friend, Damon McBrinn, MD (Anesthesiologist, Columbia Anesthesia Group) and his children during my time in the Pacific Northwest (Jan 18-Jan 30, 2016). We also were able to spend time on beautiful Mount Hood (Timberline) doing some skiing and snowboarding as well.

I really am excited at the possibility of licensure of Anesthesiologist Assistants in the state of Oregon. As someone who has previously been trained as a(n) Physician Assistant (PA) at a premier academic Pacific Northwest institution (University of Washington School of Medicine); completed post-graduate training in Critical Care Medicine (Emory University) and completed training as a(n) Anesthesiologist Assistant (AA). I can honestly and objectively speak to the rigor, clinical acumen and patient safety that AA's provide during their training and as faculty/staff at such well respected institutions around the country. Emory University, Cleveland Clinic, Case Western University, University of Florida and University of Colorado are just a few. In fact, these are some of the same institutions that Oregon Health & Science University in Portland, Oregon will be receiving first year intern residents from in July of this year.

Thank you for your time in advance.

Sincerely,

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