From: <u>Steve Schoenfeld</u>

To: WILLIAMS Brittany A \* DCBS

Subject: RE: written testimony on SB418

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Thank you for allowing me to present written testimony. I'm writing in support of SB418. I've been representing injured workers in Oregon since 1991. I've seen many workers lose too much pay form work as a result of the current rule. Most doctor's appointments take less than 4 hours, and therefore, the worker losses money from their paycheck for attending doctor appointments. As you can imagine, doctor's offices operate during work hours and its difficult to find any clinic, especially specialty clinics, that can accommodate a worker's schedule.

I have a client right now that routinely suffers under current law: JR is 46 years old and has worked at Clackamas lamination company since he was 20 years old. In July 2020, the machine he was working on exploded, fracturing his skull and jaw and contusing and damaging his brain. He has been back to work on light duty, but has worked regular hours for over a year now. He sees a myriad of doctors, including the Brain Rehab Clinic in SW Portland. JR lives in Colton Oregon. He misses work routinely to attend appointments that usually take less than 4 hours. He is losing money even though his workers compensation claim is accepted and acknowledged. He is married with a family. He would have testified live today but he is working.

I could go thru my file cabinet and find many similar situated injured workers.

Please consider these hardworking Oregonians when considering this important bill.

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Good afternoon Mr. Schoenfeld,

If you would to provide written testimony please send it to me and I will distribute it to the committee members. I have included the MLAC administrator, Cara Filsinger, to this e-mail to answer any additional questions or concerns.

Thank you,

**Brittany** 

## **Brittany Williams**

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I want to provide written testimony regarding this bill, as I'm unable to attend the meeting. How do I accomplish that?

Thank you.

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