

Reject HB 160

“Choice” is a Big Fat Fib

No Assisted Suicide No Euthanasia

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Highlights:

- HB 160 applies to people with years or decades to live.
- Enacting the bill will encourage people with years or decades to live to throw away their lives.
- Assisting persons are allowed to communicate for the patient during the lethal dose request process.
- Assisting persons can have their own agendas: an adult child wanting an inheritance; a financial predator seeking financial gain; or a doctor wanting to hide malpractice.
- Administration of the lethal dose is allowed to occur in private without a doctor or witness present. If the patient objected or even struggled, who would know?
- Elder abuse is already a not well controlled problem. Passing HB 160 will make it worse.
- * The death certificate will list a terminal illness as the cause of death. This will prevent prosecution for murder, no matter what the facts.
- * The bill, if passed, will create the perfect crime.
- In Oregon, where physician-assisted suicide is legal, other suicides have increased with legalization.
- Assisted suicide, even where voluntary, can be traumatic for patients and families.

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