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I currently reside at Volantis Oxford House in Portland Oregon. Clean date 9/14/13.

I am opposed to bill HB 2239. The certification process and standards Oxford House Incorporated should be held on equal grounds as the NARR certification.

Having only one standard of certification in Recovery Housing options seems reckless. Especially since the certification process and standards of Oxford House Inc have been modeled for over 50 years with actual studies from Depaul University proving the model's success rate directly compared to other recovery homes. So, to adopt those standards across the board that are proven to be inferior makes absolutely no sense. I believe just like recovery there are many different approaches to achieve recovery. It shouldn't be determined by a singular adaptation of what that should look like. The same should be true in recovery housing certification process. The Oxford House democratic, self-run, self-supporting model has helped hundreds of thousands of people across the globe to achieve long-term sobriety. If anything, Oxford House Inc. should be the standard not the other way around.

Please take the time to see what other states that have established a certification process have done and allow multiple organizations to be co-certifying.

**Oregon, I beg of you, don't screw this up!**