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As one of Oregon's first distillers, we are highly supportive of House Bill 3435. In our 10 years as a licensed distiller we have seen a huge increase in the awareness of Oregon distilleries and, more importantly, micro-distilling is continuing to grow as a source of "agro-tourism"- just like the impact that we have seen in the more developed craft beer and wine industries.

Currently, we are able to sell our beers through our 10 Oregon Rogue pubs, including locations in Newport, Eugene, Portland, Astoria, and Independence. We are a responsible retailer with 24 years of experience in selling beer "to go". HB 3435 would strengthen our ability to develop our emerging spirits business by providing us the opportunity to sell our spirits directly to patrons at our licensed brew pubs. HB 3435 serves to support Oregon's growing craft spirits business and provides Oregon distilleries with many of the same rights that have helped to expand and strengthen Oregon's world class breweries and wineries.

Thank you for your support of HB 3435.



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