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Re: HB 5012, DCBS

Chairs Johnson and Gomberg and Members of the Committee:

The purpose of this letter is to praise DCBS for working closely with the Oregon Pawnbrokers Association (OPA). The OPA represents licensed pawnbrokers throughout the State of Oregon, offering education, networking, and advocacy for the industry at the state level.

Pawnbrokers are licensed under ORS 726 and are highly regulated by DCBS. We pride ourselves in working closely with DCBS to consistently review the laws and regulations that govern pawnbrokers. When we find that a change is necessary, we work towards consensus with DCBS before pursuing any legislative action.

We appreciate the leadership of David Tatman, and work closely with Richard Blackwell and his esteemed team.

We urge your support of DCBS and their important work.

Thank you,

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