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**House Bill 2475 / Senate Testimony
Chair Sen. Chris Edwards**

(Support)

Dear Chair Edwards, Vice Chair Olsen and Committee Members:

The Oregon Veterinary Medical Association, representing nearly 1,000 veterinarians in all regions of our state, supports House Bill 2475.

As a practical matter, the legislation provides the Oregon Veterinary Medical Examining Board the discretion to impose a modest fine against a licensee who is in violation of administrative rules when they are minor in nature and where they do not pose a risk of harm to the patient.

It also is our understanding that the provisions under ORS Chapter 183 present the licensee with the ability to contest the charges of the OVMEB, thus ensuring important due process rights.

We appreciate your consideration.

Sincerely,

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