

HB 3494-A OPPOSE UNLESS AMENDED - Senate Committee on Human Services & Early Childhood

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HB 3494-A contains unacceptable loopholes and will not protect dogs and cats. The bill would allow declawing and devocalization to continue unchecked in Oregon at the sole discretion of veterinarians. The bill is not a step forward for animals. Rather, it is a step backwards in the movement to protect animals from unnecessary harm.

Declawing and devocalization amount to mutilation and are morally unacceptable given the most recent evidence regarding the ability of all mammals to feel fear.

Thanks You.