

Dear Senate Committee on Health Care,

I am writing in support of Senate Bill 785.

I am part of a Century Farm that has been in our family since 1880. We value keeping our cattle as healthy as possible and we do all we can to keep our land as pristine as possible. For this reason, we only use antibiotics on the rare occasion that our veterinarian deems it necessary. I am very opposed to the widespread use of antibiotics or other pharmaceuticals that are not essential for an animal's basic wellbeing.

When antibiotics are overused, animals and humans alike, are at risk for developing bacterial strains that build up resistance to antibiotics (when you might actually NEED them!). I can't understand why anyone would want to put anything extra, especially unnecessary medicine, in their food or body.

I implore you to please support SB 785, which does not allow the routine use of antibiotics on farm animals for disease prevention.

Thank you for serving Oregon and helping to protect our beautiful state and all its human and animal inhabitants!

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