Dear House Rules Committee,

This Oregonian urges you to vote YES on H.C.R. 16, scheduled for a vote this Thursday, April 27th, 2017.

At least three areas would benefit;

- The promotion of adoption dogs from rescues and shelters, which could save lives and cost measurably less than shelter care.
- It would recognize the work of Oregon's sheltering professionals doing such significant work each day in shelters to care for and prepare dogs toward permanent, healthy, welcoming circumstances.
- It creates an inclusive environment, calling out the presence of both pure and mixed breed dogs in Oregon's shelters, all of whom can become loving companions for the right people.

Thank you for prioritizing the health of our whole living systems, (and the critters, human and non-human, within), when making this legislative choice.

I look forward to reading about H.C.R. 16 passing resoundingly!

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