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## Testimony on HB 4060, Section 33

### Joint Committee on Transportation

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Joan Plank, Chair, Oregon State Capitol Foundation

#### Summary

Extends Pacific Wonderland registration plates and dedicates proceeds to Oregon State Capitol Foundation and Oregon Historical Society; lifts limit on total number of registration plates.

Co-Chairs Beyer and McKeown, Co-Vice Chairs Boquist and Olson, and members of the Committee:

For the record, my name is Joan Plank and I serve as Chair of the Oregon State Capitol Foundation. My purpose today is to urge your support for Section 33 of HB 4060 which authorizes the Department of Transportation to continue the Pacific Wonderland registration plate program.

These plates have proven both popular with Oregon citizens and extremely beneficial to the work of the Oregon State Capitol Foundation and the Oregon Historical Society. The proceeds will continue to be evenly divided between the Oregon State Capitol Foundation and the Oregon Historical Society.

The Oregon State Capitol Foundation has used its share of the revenue to launch and maintain the Capitol History Gateway including display cases and information kiosks located in the galleria, and new curricular efforts for K-12 student visitors in partnership with the Oregon Department of Education. Developmental work is under way for additional educational and display materials to be used in the future.

The change you see from the 2015 version (SB 472-A) lifts the limit on the total number of Wonderland plates. We have consulted with DMV on both the numbering scheme and the distribution process for the plates prior to requesting this change. Based on their concurrence – and the popularity of the plates – we believe this change will help us do a better job of moving forward on the History Center goals while continuing to provide worthwhile programming on the people, events and decisions that are central to Oregon’s Capitol.

We appreciate the support and assistance from Senator Johnson in bringing this idea forward and for the continuing partnership with the Oregon Historical Society.

I encourage you to include the language contained in Section 33 of HB 4060 in whatever vehicle ultimately goes to the floor with a do-pass recommendation.

Thank you.