



House Judiciary Committee

House Bill 2500 (Support)

February 19, 2019

Dear Chair Williamson, Vice Chair Gorsek, Vice Chair Sprenger, and Committee Members:

Oregon law is clear that for those of us who have animals, we are obligated to sufficiently provide for their health and well-being.

When an individual intentionally, knowingly or recklessly causes physical injury to an animal or cruelly causes the death of an animal, they may be charged with a crime of animal abuse under existing statutes. If convicted of such a criminal act, it seems appropriate that the individual should also incur the expenses of veterinary care provided to the abused animal.

We appreciate your consideration of House Bill 2500 and ask for your support.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Glenn", with a long, sweeping underline.

Glenn M. Kolb

Executive Director