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Senator Lee Beyer, Co-Chair Representative Susan McLain, Co-Chair Joint Committee on Transportation 900 Court St. NE Salem, OR 97301

Re: SB 300- Establishes State Board of Towing within Department of Transportation.

Co-Chair Beyer, Co-Chair McLain, and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony for SB 300.

Towers in the City of Portland tow an average of 25,000 vehicles annually. This includes vehicles towed from private property, abandoned and recreational vehicles from the right-of-way, and vehicles towed due to police enforcement actions. Our knowledge and experience may serve as a resource to the newly formed State Board of Towing. Please consider our request to add two seats to the State Board of Towing. One to be filled by the City of Portland and one by an area local jurisdiction.

Sincerely,

Dave Benson Parking and Regulatory Group Director Portland Bureau of Transportation



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