<u>Testimony of Humane Voters Oregon on House Bill 2913</u> <u>House Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources</u>

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Chair Witt and Members of the Committee:

Humane Voters Oregon is a nonprofit organization that works in Oregon's political process and elections to promote humane treatment of animals, including fish and wildlife. We are not affiliated with any other state or national organization.

Humane Voters Oregon supports House Bill 2913 because it would continue and help fund the Oregon Conservation and Recreation Fund.

We have supported the Conservation and Recreation Fund from the beginning and are among the fund's many donors. We support the fund primarily because it will help diversify funding for the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife and make it less dependent on the sale of hunting and fishing licenses. That would help reflect the fact that Oregonians enjoy the state's fish and wildlife in many ways and for many reasons, including but not limited to hunting and fishing.

Thank you for considering our comments.

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