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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Business and Labor

Measure: HB2915

Dear Legislators,

I fully support H.B. 2915. When I learned that Oregon still allows pet stores to sell puppies and kittens, I was surprised. With the great and abundant options for either adopting from shelters and rescues or purchasing from responsible breeders, there is no reason to sell puppies and kittens as impulse purchases in pet stores. Animals have no natural defenses against systems designed to make the most money possible for the least amount of cost. It can be too easy to ignore or be distracted from addressing their plight. Oregon can stand up for animals and pass H.B. 2915 to ensure its not part of the demand that keeps inhumane puppy mills running nor allowing the quick sales of puppies and kittens at pet stores, which are not required to or have the robust programs to educate and screen individuals prior to purchasing. Thank you for working on behalf of Oregonians every day and making our state a better place.

Kind regards,
Michelle Kittrell