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On Behalf

Of:

Committee: House Committee On Emergency Management, General

Government, and Veterans

Measure: HB2904

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to oppose HB 2904. Nonhuman primate research is absolutely necessary for the sake of human health. My understanding is that studies with nonhuman primates are already tightly regulated by and have strict oversight from the USDA. Also, the National Primate Research Centers are funded by the U.S. government (NIH) and are already required to provide a progress report on an annual basis. This bill would simply duplicate efforts and is not necessary. Additional regulation at the state level would also undermine federal agencies whose oversight and policies have been implemented for the past 50-60 years and have worked well.