

<u>Testimony of Humane Voters Oregon on House Bill 2904</u> House Committee on Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans

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Chair Grayber, Vice Chairs Lewis and Tran, 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. We are not affiliated with any other state or national organization.

Humane Voters Oregon supports House Bill 2904.

HB 2904 would require facilities that experiment on primates to provide basic information to the state about how the animals are treated and the results of that treatment. Reporting to the state will make this information more available to the public, which has a legitimate right to care about how research institutions treat animals used for experimentation.

Further disclosure is particularly justified in light of reports that primates in one of Oregon's research institutions have been treated in a manner that violates animal welfare laws and is deeply concerning to many Oregonians.¹

Thank you for considering our comments.

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¹ See articles <u>here</u> and <u>here</u>.

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