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Many people have mistaken that this bill will criminalize educational shows. This bill will NOT do that.

SECTION 1. (1) A person may not use an animal described in subsection (3) of this section in a traveling animal act.

(c) "Traveling animal act" means a performance of an animal to which the animal is transported to perform.

The exclusion clearly states that if the animals are not forced to perform tricks, they are excluded from the bill.

This bill will however protect wild and exotic animals from rampant abuse from circus trainers like being starved, hit with hooks, forced to train with fire, and constant solitary confinement.

Circuses like Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey have been able to transition their business to be fully operational without animals and that is exactly what Oregon needs to enforce with this compassionate legislation.

Please pass this bill.