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On Behalf Of: Happy Canyon Indian Pageant and Wild West Show  
Committee: House Committee On Judiciary  
Measure: HB3214

As the Show Director for Happy Canyon, Oregon's Official Outdoor Indian Pageant and Wild West Show, I am opposed to HB 3214.

As a dedicated advocate for animal welfare, I implore you to vote NO to HB 3214.

Oregon has in place already extensive welfare and animal cruelty laws including ORS Chapter 167, titled Offenses Against General Welfare and Animals.

Our century old Happy Canyon Show has always valued each of our animals in the show and they are considered valued cast members year after year and are well loved and cared for.

For over 107 years, Happy Canyon has been one of the key pieces of Americana and showcases the beauty of the local tribal community, using horses extensively throughout these key scenes and especially in the travois scene, where they display the importance of our local tribal village and nomadic life. This bill could potentially impede Oregon tribal members using their horses in the Happy Canyon Show which is a deep rooted part of their culture which they display both educationally and in beautiful pageantry as they participate in the show.

Secondly, Happy Canyon also showcases the beauty of trick riding, roman riding and the partnership between the animals and their owners is a beautiful display hardly seen anywhere.

This bill is far-reaching and full of unintended consequences, including the potential of cutting the beauty of the tribal horse culture out of our beautiful Indian Pageant and the far reaching consequences to the oldest Indian Pageant and Wild West in the United States.

Thank you for your time and consideration on this matter.

Becky Waggoner

Happy Canyon Show Director