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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Natural Resources

Measure: SB85

Dear Senate Committee on Natural Resources,

I have just been notified that Senator Golden, Chair of the Natural Resources Committee, is planning to introduce a devastating amendment to the SB 85 -1 bill that would limit the factory farm moratorium to only large-scale poultry operations. This newly proposed amendment will put the Original Factory Farm Moratorium Bill (Senate Bill 85-1) at risk of being severely weakened. SB 85 with the proposed -1 amendments would prohibit all new and expanding factory farms in Oregon, not just large-scale poultry operations.

If SB 85 -1 passes with Senator Golden's newly proposed amendment that would limit the factory farm moratorium to only large-scale poultry operations, it would fail to address the myriad environmental, public health, animal welfare, and other negative effects that Oregon faces from other types of factory farms, such as mega-dairies and feed lots for cows, etc.

This is not acceptable, therefore I am respectfully urging you to oppose Senator Golden's newly proposed amendment and show continued support for the Original Factory Farm Moratorium Bill - SB 85 -1.

Thank you for showing your continued support for the Original Factory Farm Moratorium Bill ~ SB 85 with the -1 amendments and voicing your concerns about Senator Golden's newly proposed amendment that would severely weaken SB 85 -1 at the public hearing and work session on Wednesday, March 22nd, at 8 am at the Oregon State Capitol in Salem.

BELOW: is the testimony that I submitted to the Oregon State Legislature on 3/6/2023 in SUPPORT of SB 85 - 1 ~ A COMPLETE Moratorium on ALL factory animal farms in Oregon, not just those for poultry:

Dear Senate Natural Resources Committee,

I respectfully urge you to vote "YES" in support of SB 85, the factory farm moratorium bill.

Factory farms are an animal welfare nightmare where animals live short, miserable lives without basic humane care. "The animals raised for food are crammed into concentrated animal feeding operations or CAFOs ... and are essentially agricultural

machines. Factory animals are born, fed, watered, and inseminated en masse through automated or highly mechanized processes. They are then sent to slaughterhouses, processed, and packaged ... " (Sentient Media. A Closer Look at Factory Farming's Environmental Impacts. Hemi Kim. October 22, 2021).

Portland's prestigious Lewis & Clark Law School has the most extensive Animal Law Program and Curriculum in the world and we need to honor this gift by protecting the rights and welfare of the animals who need our help.

In addition, "factory farming is a primary cause of wildlife and biodiversity loss, the overuse of water, water pollution, land-use change, global warming, and deforestation. It is part of a global food system that prioritizes cheap food at the expense of animal welfare, society, and the environment. People seeking to interrupt this trend of environmental destruction " and animal abuse "as it is perpetuated by industrial animal agriculture practices have an opportunity to instead create food systems that support the collective good" (Sentient Media. A Closer Look at Factory Farming's Environmental Impacts. Hemi Kim. October 22, 2021).

The ongoing expansion of factory farming in Oregon has far-reaching, harmful impacts on all levels that you can stop by Voting "YES" in support of SB 85. Thank you for reading my testimony and for supporting SB 85 which will protect our beautiful, wild state of Oregon and all the living beings inhabiting this magical place.

Kind regards,
Liss Brisley