



The League of Women Voters of Oregon, established in 1920, is a grassroots nonpartisan political organization that encourages informed and active participation in government. We envision informed Oregonians participating in a fully accessible, responsive, and transparent government to achieve the common good. LWVOR Legislative Action is based on advocacy positions formed through studies and member consensus. The League never supports or opposes any candidate or political party.

March 30, 2023

**To Chair Helm, Vice Chairs Hartman and Owens and Members of the Committee
House Committee on Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources and Water**

Re: HB 3207 – Domestic Well Testing Data Collection – SUPPORT

The League of Women Voters of Oregon adopted a position on water quality in 1969, a position on Water Policy and Planning in 1977 and, after 3 years of study, adopted a combined Water Policy—Quality and Quantity position in 2011. Many League members—Oregonians across the state—get their drinking water from wells.

The League has consistently advocated for transparency in real estate transactions to protect both the seller and the buyer. HB 3207 does not add a layer to those transactions, but does require that the data collected by those real estate transactions be reported to the state. By aggregating that data, the Dept. of Environmental Quality will have yet another set of data to help in determining where problems may arise. Again, **the data can be aggregated and the system can protect confidentiality while assisting the state with broader water quality information.**

We ask that you SUPPORT HB 3207 and send to the floor with a DO PASS recommendation.

Thank you for the opportunity to discuss this legislation.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Becky Gladstone".

Rebecca Gladstone
President LWVOR

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Peggy Lynch".

Peggy Lynch
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