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TO: Members of the House Committee on Rules

FR: Derek Sangston, Oregon Business & Industry

RE: Support for HB 3308 with the -9 amendment

Chair Fahey, Vice-Chair Breese-Iverson, Vice-Chair Kropf, members of the House Committee on Rules. For the record, I am Derek Sangston, policy director and counsel at Oregon Business & Industry (OBI)

OBI is a statewide association representing businesses from a wide variety of industries and from each of Oregon's 36 counties. In addition to being the statewide chamber of commerce, OBI is the state affiliate for the National Association of Manufacturers and the National Retail Federation. Our 1,600 member companies, more than 80% of which are small businesses, employ more than 250,000 Oregonians. Oregon's private sector businesses help drive a healthy, prosperous economy for the benefit of everyone.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of HB 3308 with the -9 amendment. With the amendment, the bill creates an alcohol delivery permitting and regulatory system for third-party delivery facilitators and their delivery persons. Allowing OBI's retail members to use this new avenue to reach customers is extremely important. Increasingly, they must navigate a challenging business environment due to increased competition, supply chain pressures, and inflation.

OBI also believes that it is critical to ensure that people delivering alcohol to consumers are trained to follow all applicable laws and rules. If people in even one part of the system lack proper training or flout the law, the entire system is threatened and retailers risk losing an important new avenue to customers.

For these reasons, OBI respectfully requests this committee to support HB 3308 with the -9 amendment. Thank you for your consideration.

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