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I am in support of passing this bill for a couple of reasons. First, I believe in opportunities. This bill provides an opportunity for employment and the potential for the creation of small businesses. Passing this bill will offer the opportunity for younger people who are looking for a job in the cattle industry, wanting to start their own business, or may be an entry onto a path towards higher reproductive procedures that may require more education.

Secondly, passing this bill legitimizes a service that the cattle industry needs and utilizes regularly. Preg checking cows is a sound business practice and helps with business decisions. The decision to cull or keep cows in a herd may be based off of preg checking, it is not always economical to retain unbred cows. If someone is selling bred cows they must be preg checked.

Thirdly, I believe that this makes things more efficient, a veterinarian's time is valuable and may be better utilized elsewhere other than preg checking cows. This is not to say that people will stop requiring vet services and I would personally still call my vet as he utilizes ultrasound to preg check.

In conclusion, as an Oregon beef producer I am in support of passing this bill.

Thank you.