

Chairman Floyd Prozanski
Senate Committee on Judiciary
900 Court St. NE
Salem Oregon 97301

Re: SB 638 Support

Dear Chairman Prozanski and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide written comments in support of SB 638, legislation to ensure that dogs and cats used for research are adopted into loving homes after their term in research.

Animals have endured our use of them as test subjects for decades and longer. We frame the need of these processes to better enrich our lives, to protect lives and even to prolong our lives. We take these liberties with animals easily and even at times callously. Their needs are extended just enough to keep them alive to serve their purposes for our use, then too frequently, in an act that would seem unfathomable, we end their lives without a moment of thought.

SB 638 pushes us to do better! To think more kindly, to care, to consider that what we choose to do with these liberties over the lives of animals can in fact be questioned, and should be.

Although I would support efforts to eliminate testing on animals completely, taking action to implement a bill such as SB 638, helping us do the right thing for dogs and cats is a start.

Give them a chance to know something different; we owe this gesture and so much more!

Supporting SB 638 seems so intuitive. I trust it will be for you as well.

Respectfully,

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