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Rep. Jennifer Williamson, Chair
House Judiciary Committee
State Capitol
900 Court St. NE
Salem, OR 97301

Dear Chair Williamson and Members of the Committee;

As the Research Security Officer in the Research Office of Oregon State University, I represent the university in supporting [SB 581](#). This bill conforms to the guidance provided by the Federal Aviation Administration in the development of protections for aviation while also providing tools for local law enforcement to ensure public safety. The objective of SB 581 is to regulate behavior, not technology, enabling the continuation of an emerging technology that continues to demonstrate benefits to the citizens of Oregon.

OSU appreciates the amendment to SB 581 that reduces the administrative and financial burden on K-12 and higher education institutions that use drone technology to inspire the next generation of students, engineers, and scientists. We urge you to pass this legislation. We pledge to continue to work productively with members of the legislature to advance Oregon as a technology leader while also preparing for new emerging technologies.

Thank you,

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