

David S. Wall
P.O. Box 756 Newberg, Oregon 97132; [408-287-6838]

March 17, 2021

To: House Committee on General Government; others

Re: I SUPPORT [HB 3204]...This program is going to require the construction of a "RESTRICTED USE FUND."

[HB 3204] is an example of "timely legislation" referring to the COVID-19 pandemic.

I am much impressed with the State Department of Fish and Wildlife, the State Department of Agriculture and the Oregon State Police.

To conduct a successful, ongoing program requires a stable funding source.

I suggest the construction of a "RESTRICTED USE FUND herein "RUF" dedicated for **[HB 3204]** purposes.

The Department of Revenue's assistance in the creation and maintenance of the "RUF" is imperative.

Within the structure of the " RUF" the aforementioned agencies should have authority over this FUND.

"No promiscuous thievery" by the Oregon Legislature should be permitted so; the "RUF" so created must be rigidly codified into the Oregon Revised Statutes.

The "RUF" funding sources include all Federal monies and fees but, dedicated appropriations form other State Funds including biennium contributions from the General Fund.

Employees, otherwise known as Full Time Equivalents, "FTEs" current funding by source should be reviewed. The rationale; if an FTE is derived from FUND (X), the funding is then dedicated to the "RUF."

The inter-agency cooperation between the Oregon Health Authority (OHA), the OSU Veterinary and Microbiological Laboratories, and State Veterinary Board are vital to the success of this program. It is conceivable drinking water wells, streams and surface waters might also be analyzed.

I am concerned Oregon "Vector Control Programs" were not mentioned. These folks have a wealth of information and should be integrated into the program.

There is a lot of work for the professionals to do.

The professionals require stable revenue and "zero interferences" from the Legislature.

Oregon could very well become the world's standard with reference to zoonotic disease identification and eradication.

Good Job: Representatives Helm and Salinas!

Good Job Senator Gorsek!

Now direct the Department of Revenue to construct a "RUF" to support [HB 3204].

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ David S. Wall

///
///