

I'm writing in support of HB 3318. I have participated very active in the sport of dog agility for the last 14 years. I (and many others) spend, add a significant amount of money to the Oregon economy via class fees, competition entry fees, gas for travel to weekly rural classes and on weekend to agility competitions held throughout the state. There is no reason not to provide dog training on farm property with the same exclusion afforded to the equine community.

As stated above I've attended weekly training classes at several locations over the last 14 years. I've not ever witnessed any aggression by any of the dogs. These dogs compete with other dogs, people throughout the PNW, USA and some even world wide. If the dogs were aggressive they would not be allowed in classes nor would they be allowed to compete. To say these dogs are a threat to livestock is also nonsense, many of these same dogs are trained on stock, to herd them, not injure them.

Please pass HB 3318 to allow people to use their personal property to train dogs same as they can horses.

Respectfully, April Meyer