

HB 2296 Testimony in support on behalf of AOC- Association of Oregon Counties

House Committee on Emergency Management, General Government and Veterans

February 28, 2023

Dear Chair Grayber, Vice Chair Lewis, Vice Chair Tran and members of the House Committee on Emergency Management, General Government and Veterans:

My name is Anna Braun with Braun Law LLC testifying on behalf of the Association of Oregon Counties. **AOC supports HB 2296 with an amendment.**

AOC legislative committee voted to support HB 2296 but with an amendment at their February 6th mtg. HB 2296 allows PERS retirees to continue to work for an employer but also continue to receive their retirement benefits. AOC recognizes the acute labor shortage for counties and the trouble counties, particularly rural counties, are having on filling critical positions. However, AOC also recognizes that this labor situation may change. **Therefore, AOC would like to propose an amendment of a 5 year sunset on HB 2296.**

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On behalf of AOC Governance, Revenue and Veterans subcommittee