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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Natural Resources

Measure: SB85

Dear Senate Committee on Natural Resources,

I respectfully urge you to vote "YES" in support of SB 85, the factory farm moratorium bill.

Factory farms are an animal welfare nightmare where animals live short, miserable lives without basic humane care. "The animals raised for food are crammed into concentrated animal feeding operations or CAFOs ... and are essentially agricultural machines. Factory animals are born, fed, watered, and inseminated en masse through automated or highly mechanized processes. They are then sent to slaughterhouses, processed, and packaged ... " (Sentient Media. A Closer Look at Factory Farming's Environmental Impacts. Hemi Kim. October 22, 2021).

Portland's prestigious Lewis & Clark Law School has the most extensive Animal Law Program and Curriculum in the world and we need to honor this gift by protecting the rights and welfare of the animals who need our help.

In addition, "factory farming is a primary cause of wildlife and biodiversity loss, the overuse of water, water pollution, land-use change, global warming, and deforestation. It is part of a global food system that prioritizes cheap food at the expense of animal welfare, society, and the environment. People seeking to interrupt this trend of environmental destruction " and animal abuse "as it is perpetuated by industrial animal agriculture practices have an opportunity to instead create food systems that support the collective good" (Sentient Media. A Closer Look at Factory Farming's Environmental Impacts. Hemi Kim. October 22, 2021).

The ongoing expansion of factory farming in Oregon has far-reaching, harmful impacts on all levels that you can stop by Voting "YES" in support of SB 85. Thank you for reading my testimony and for supporting SB 85 which will protect our beautiful, wild state of Oregon and all the living beings inhabiting this magical place.

Kind regards,
Liss Brisley