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Committee: House Committee On Judiciary

Measure: HB3213

As an organization that advocates on behalf of animals, we strongly urge the passage of HB 3213. •

H.B. 3213 would end unnecessary animal suffering by banning the sale of animal-tested cosmetics in Oregon.

Cosmetic products sold in the United States are not legally required to be tested on animals to show safety for use on humans.

Cosmetics companies do not need to test their products on animals because there are already thousands of ingredients with a history of safe use. If a company wants to use a new ingredient in their products, they can use alternative test methods that are often less expensive and more relevant to humans than animal tests. There are currently around 50 alternative tests available and more are being developed. There are more than 1,000 cosmetics brands in North America that have committed not to test final products, formulations, or ingredients on animals. The largest cosmetic trade association has also endorsed federal legislation to prohibit the production and sale of animal-tested cosmetics in the United States Consumers want to know that they are making ethical choices when purchasing cosmetics, and H.B. 3213 would give them the assurance that the products they purchase in Oregon are cruelty-free.

Let's help to end this unnecessary suffering. Thank you.