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H.B. 3213 would end unnecessary animal suffering by banning the sale of animal-tested cosmetics in Oregon. Rabbits, mice, rats, and guinea pigs are typically used to test cosmetics like lipstick, deodorant, and shampoo.

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.

More than 30 countries and 10 states, including California, Nevada, and New York, have already banned the sale of cosmetics newly tested on animals.

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.

Thank you for your consideration of my comments.