

Submitter: Corissa Schuening
On Behalf Of:
Committee: House Committee On Judiciary
Measure: HB3214

Dear House Judiciary Committee,

I am asking you to please vote NO on HB3214 for many reasons.

The State as a whole already has many strict laws in place that work to protect the welfare and cruelty of animals (ORS Chapter 167). This new bill is poorly written and uses undefined terms that are very misleading.

For our organizations (Pendleton Round-Up and Happy Canyon) and our community (Pendleton and Umatilla County) it would be detrimental to. Both our organizations take animal welfare very seriously and make sure all those involved take it seriously as well. By passing this bill it would put an end to our events, which would affect our community and state greatly. We have a 62 million dollar economic impact in Eastern Oregon during our event, not having that would be detrimental to our region and state. It would put an end to our 113 year old rodeo and 107 year old Native American Beauty Pageant and Wild West Show. It would not only affect our rodeo but all rodeos across the state, which would affect their communities as well.

This would also eliminate 4-H, FFA, livestock shows, and fairs in our state as well. Once again, this would be detrimental to the communities that host these events and the agriculture industry as a whole.

I again, urge you to vote NO on HB3214.

Sincerely,

Corissa Schuening