



The Honorable Senator Kathleen Taylor
Chair, Senate Committee on Labor and Business
The Honorable Members of the Senate Committee on Labor and Business

Oregon State Legislature
900 Court St. NE
Salem, Oregon 97301

April 24, 2023

RE: Support HB 3213A

Dear Chair Taylor and the members of the Senate Committee on Labor and Business:

I am writing on behalf of Urban Organics, an Oregon-based company that produces cruelty-free beauty products and skincare. We are writing to express our strong support of HB 3213A, which would prohibit a manufacturer from manufacturing, selling, offering to sell or distributing cosmetics or ingredients developed through using an animal test.

Testing cosmetics on animals is unnecessary and there are absolutely no animal testing requirements for cosmetics safety validation in the United States. Companies are already create high-quality products using thousands of available ingredients that have a history of safe use and do not require new testing. For new ingredients where animal testing may currently be used, many non-animal methods have been, and continue to be, developed. Non-animal methods can combine human cell-based tests and sophisticated computer models to deliver human-relevant results at less cost and in less time than the animal tests.

Oregon should be a leader in ending cosmetics testing for animals. We urge your support for HB 3213A.

Sincerely,

Emily and Cory Silverstein
Owners, Urban Organics
West Linn, OR