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On Behalf  
Of:

Committee: House Committee On Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, and  
Water

Measure: HB4148

Dear Legislators,

The Oregon Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory plays a vital role in Oregon's public health by helping detect and combat threats like Chronic Wasting Disease and other zoonotic diseases. It is Oregon's One Health laboratory responsible for diagnosing animal diseases across the state, including wildlife, beloved family pets and agricultural animals.

I am concerned about challenges the OVDL faces because of its outdated facilities and need to respond to ever-changing disease threats on the horizon.

I urge you to recognize the vital role the OVDL plays in combating disease threats in Oregon by supporting House Bill 4148 in this legislative session.

Sincerely,

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