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Oregon as well as all of the US has a severe shortage of veterinarians, I believe this is largely due to the cost to attend vet school which is easily over \$100,000 for a four year program. Providing more scholarship dollars to in state students would help with the exorbitant cost of attending vet school and in turn help with the shortage of veterinarians. Graduating with mountains of debt can also lead to mental health issues and the industry has one of the highest rates of suicide and burnout.