

CANBY FIRE DISTRICT

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To: Senate Committee on Veterans, Emergency Management, Federal & World Affairs,

RE: Support of SCR2 Recognizing the important role of Aurora State Airport in the State of Oregon's emergency preparedness and response efforts.

Please accept this letter as written testimony in support of the original text of SCR2 from the perspective of an emergency services provider. The Aurora State Airport has long been an established air base that can serve as an effective way to bring emergency resources into our area in event of a large earthquake that results in the failure of bridges crossing the numerous bodies of water that separate our communities.

Regardless of a large earthquake, our citizens as well as your constituents in Washington, Clackamas, and Multnomah Counites benefit from the close proximity of Life Flight air ambulance services.

Our emergency radio operators with Canby Fire District regularly participate in the Oregon Aviation Response Team Drills that occur at the Aurora State Airport connecting airports and emergency resources across our State.

Gratefully,

Matt Dale

Fire Chief, Canby Fire