



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Testimony in Support of HB 3167 – The Fan Fairness & Transparency Act

Chair Sosa, Vice Chairs Chaichi and Osborne and Members of the Committee,

I represent House District 42 which covers inner SE and inner NE Portland and I serve as Co-Chair of the Arts & Culture Caucus. I ask that you consider my testimony in strong support of HB 3167, the Fan Fairness & Transparency Act.

For too long, Oregonians who want to attend concerts, sports games, and other live events have faced an unfair and often predatory ticketing marketplace. Hidden fees, deceptive marketing, speculative ticketing, and bot-driven price gouging have turned the experience of purchasing tickets into a frustrating and expensive ordeal. HB 3167 is a critical step toward restoring fairness, transparency, and consumer protection in ticket sales.

This bill aligns Oregon with efforts at the federal level, such as the Fans First Act introduced in Congress, by establishing clear guidelines that benefit both consumers and legitimate ticket sellers. Some of the most important provisions in HB 3167 include:

- All-in Pricing: Requiring ticket sellers to display the full cost of a ticket upfront, including all fees, taxes, and service charges. No more sticker shock at checkout.
- Transparency in Secondary Sales: Making sure that ticket buyers know when they are purchasing from a reseller rather than an official venue and ensuring that any restrictions on the ticket are clearly disclosed before purchase.
- Prohibiting Deceptive Marketing Practices: Stopping resellers from using misleading domain names, logos, or images that make consumers think they are buying directly from the venue or event organizer.
- Banning Speculative Ticketing: Ensuring that resellers can only list tickets they actually have, rather than selling tickets they do not yet possess, which leads to inflated prices and buyer uncertainty.

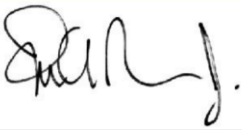
- Strengthening the Ban on Ticket Bots: Retaining Oregon's ban on automated ticket-buying software and expanding penalties for those who use bots to buy up tickets and resell them at inflated prices.

For too long, ticket buyers have been left with no recourse when they've been misled, overcharged, or scammed. This bill makes these violations an unlawful trade practice, giving Oregonians the ability to seek justice when they are deceived in the ticketing process.

Live events should be accessible and fair for all fans—not just those who can afford outrageous resale markups or navigate a deliberately confusing system. HB 3167 brings much-needed accountability to the ticketing industry and protects everyday Oregonians from the worst of these predatory practices.

I urge this committee to vote YES on HB 3167 and ensure that buying a ticket in Oregon is fair, honest, and transparent.

Thank you,

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Rob Nosse
State Representative HD 42