I testify, as a decades-long shelter volunteer, veterinary technician, veterinary science teacher, biology teacher, and as a very small at-home AKC exhibitor and breeder, that this SB 1076 would do nothing to the worst breeders but would only harm the high-quality breeders.

Evidence and reasons include, but are not limited to:

1. Why? Why do members of Oregon want to target the small, selfless breeders just to make an already difficult job or hobby do-able? I cannot find reasons that coincide with common sense and reality. I implore you to look closely at the purpose and see if is just a quick, emotion-riddled "solution" or if, in fact, it will target the exact purpose combined with the exact outcome that is desired. I would not do anything unless the solution to a problem was a true "prescription" meant to cleanse a body from disease, keeping the healthy tissue alive rather than a chemo treatment that kills both healthy and cancerous cells. This bill is the latter.

2. True AKC breeders spend countless hours and all-nighters to care for a single puppy for weeks straight while taking days off of work, caring through holidays, missing life functions to care for the smallest and most precious in our care. We are not shelters and we don't euthanize nearly as much as shelters and rescues. (I have never euthanized pets in my care, choosing to spend much more money on them and keep them for their whole life. On the other hand, the cats/dogs that I raised had many that were later euthanized by the humane societies upon their will. I never wanted them to, but they were not willing to spend more time, money, or care on them like I wanted to.

3. We, AKC breeders and clubs, take our own kind OUT OF SHELTERS AND RESCUES! We actually save The Humane Society money! Spending our own money to do this, care for the dogs, and re-home them from our own home. If anything, we should be paid from Oregon for this service!

4. Do the members in favor of this bill think we are rich? Not at all! I am far from breaking even between the money spent on the best care in medical, physical, training, psychological training, matching families with the right dog, temperament testing, training therapy dogs, evaluating therapy and Emotional Support Animals, etc. (This list NEVER ends). I raise the BEST, from and with the BEST, and match to the BEST. It is a dream hobby, and I am proud of my puppies being trained for Randall's Children Hospital in Portland and other places. I am proud of the ESA dog that I placed with a young girl in Eugene. I am proud of the verbal rewards I get from people that they've never had such as "easy" puppy with the matching temperament that they were looking for. I give a service of love with everything. I will also take back

EVERY SINGLE ONE OF MY PUPPIES, and my contract states that my puppies/dogs are NEVER to go to a rescue or shelter but must come back to me if the owners cannot keep them. This is required of GOOD BREEDERS.

5. These bills only hurt those that are trying to follow every letter of the law, us high-quality AKC breeders. Please read through the AKC rules and regulations as you will see that they require more than you probably could guess plus we already pay for their fees and regulations. In addition, most of us breeders are part and pay fees to one or more clubs. These fees are sometimes $100 per dog per year! And have their own governing body, rules and regulations, etc. This is really just another roadblock for the good breeders but won't fix or target the bad breeders.

To summarize, this bill will add another, huge ordeal to those who already do so much for our breeds and will undoubtedly force some of us to quit, become bigger and spend less quality time with our dogs, or worse, the backyard breeders that are not treating their dogs with our type of expensive care and love... they will not comply anyways!

Ask again, "WHY?" "Why haven't lawmakers asked us breeders for input?" "Is this just another chemo?"