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**SUBJECT:** Testimony in support of HB3093, 2025 Regular Session.

DNA evidence in support of a criminal court case was first introduced in 1986. Since then, technology has advanced exponentially, increasing the role in both evidence for prosecution of crimes, but as exculpatory evidence.

HB3093 includes verbiage that would be directly responsible for introducing DNA evidence to solve both future cases and "cold cases" where DNA has been collected but remains unidentified. The FBI's Violent Criminal Apprehension Program (ViCAP) and the Combined DNA Index System (CODIS) rely on collected DNA to identify or clear suspects.

Collection of DNA into a consolidated database has helped solve over 600 cold cases and countless other crimes that would otherwise have remain unsolved. Using technology to compare DNA on a statewide or national scale will not only bring justice for crimes, but will save an immeasurable amount of money and time for investigators, as well saving the lives of innocents who would otherwise be victimized by repeat offenders. DNA analysis for crimes is the future of criminal justice.

I fully support HB3093's implementation.

Any questions can be directed to me at gfabrizio@co.coos.or.us.

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