

Submitter: Shawn Fleming

On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Judiciary

Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB238

Chair Kropf, Vice-Chairs Andersen and Wallan, and Members of the Committee,

My name is Shawn Fleming, and I live in Coos Bay, Oregon. I'm writing to strongly support Senate Bill 238.

As a first responder and a drone pilot, I've seen how drones can help find missing people, safely check dangerous situations, support other public safety organizations such as fire departments, and keep our communities safer. But current state laws on unmanned aircraft systems often make it hard to use drones quickly or effectively in these cases.

SB 238 proposes practical updates to these outdated rules, while still ensuring proper oversight and transparency. These changes will make our communities safer and help save lives across Oregon.

I respectfully ask the committee to support this bill and allow Oregonians to benefit from responsible, life-saving drone technology.

Thank you for your time and consideration.