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Dear Neighbors

With twelve weeks of the 2015 legislative session already behind us, I am excited to inform you that we have achieved a great deal to ensure that Oregonians who work hard have a realistic chance to pursue the American Dream. Specifically, this session, I have been focused on creating opportunities, rewarding honest and hard work, and expanding fairness for all Oregonians.

I have also been actively working to lessen some of the burdens faced by Oregon's veterans. As Oregon's veterans have made substantial sacrifices to ensure our safety at a state and national level, it is critical that we do our part to give back.

Concerning veteran's issues, two bills I have championed come to mind. House Bill 2839 **incentivizes the hiring and maintained employment of veterans by offering an income tax credit to employers**, and House Bill 2840 **increases education and career training opportunities for our veterans**. Both were passed out of the House Committee on Veterans Services and Emergency Preparedness just last week.



Collaborating with Veterans

In addition to improving the lives of Oregon's veterans, I am happy to inform you that a work session has been scheduled on April 20th for HB 2291, which, if passed, **would protect child welfare employees by requiring the Attorney General to file action on their behalf for stalking and unwanted, inappropriate contact**. This is a serious issue and one that deserves our immediate attention. **In the past few years there has been a severe increase in threats made to state workers, and so it is our responsibility to enact legislation that protects those working on behalf of our interests.**

I also had the opportunity vote yes on HB 2377, **which protects victims by extending the statute of limitations of certain sex crimes from six to twelve years.**



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Lastly, I recently voted yes on House Bill 3031, which **protects customers by allowing them to permanently opt out of automated phone calls from telemarketers**. Oregonians have the right to not be harassed in their homes by unwanted automated phone calls, and will now have the tools they need to put an end to these calls.

I would also like to take a moment and encourage you to visit my [legislative website](#), which is constantly updated with community events and other pertinent information. On that note, we have put information on our upcoming forums and town halls at the end of this newsletter.

I am excited about what we have been able to accomplish thus far this legislative session and **am committed to actively fight for an Oregon that works for all**. If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact my office (503-986-1420) as I prioritize meetings with constituents.

Respectfully,



Paul L. Evans
Oregon House of Representatives
District 20

We have two more Forums scheduled for the remainder of April:

- **People of Faith Forum**
Where: Monmouth Municipal Court
When: Thursday, April 16th from 6:00pm to 7:30pm
Address: 144 South Warren Street in Monmouth
- **Small Business Forum**
Where: Independence Library
When: Monday, April 20th from 5:30pm to 7:30pm
Address: 175 Monmouth Street in Independence

We have two more Town Hall meetings scheduled for the remainder of April:

- **Town Hall: Oregon's Environment**
Where: West Salem High School
When: Wednesday, April 22nd from 6:00pm to 8:30pm
Address: 1776 Titan Drive NW in Salem
- **Town Hall: Higher Education**
Where: Western Oregon University in the Willamette Room of the Werner University Center
When: Thursday, April 30th from 6:30pm to 8:30pm
Address: 345 N Monmouth Ave in Monmouth