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**STATE REPRESENTATIVE**  
DISTRICT 15



**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

June 21, 2021

Timothy G. Sekerak  
Chief Clerk of the House  
State Capitol Building, H271  
Salem, OR 97301

RE: Vote Explanation on HB 3000

Chief Clerk Sekerak,

I voted yes on HB 3000 with the understanding that the bill does not give the task force any regulatory authority over plant genetic engineering (re: line 44 (d), page 22 of C engrossed). A task force composed largely of elected officials and governor appointed members is not a regulatory body with the expertise or authority to develop, establish, or enforce regulations impacting plant genetics. The proposed task force lacks the scientific and regulatory expertise to determine appropriate regulations for the breeding of cannabis plants.

A regulatory framework for plant genetic engineering already exists within our federal and state structure (USDA, FDA, ODA), and any regulations imposed on cannabis should take place within this existing regulatory structure and framework.

Sincerely,

Shelly Boshart Davis  
Oregon House of Representatives | House District 15