

Proposal to OBH 2018 Annual Hunting Committee Meeting

Title: In the Matter of Supporting Creation of an Oregon “Pass It On” Program

WHEREAS, some of Oregon's best big game archery hunts, e.g., Hart Mountain antelope, Wenaha bull elk and the late Metolius buck hunt, require a substantial number of preference points to assure drawing a tag, and

WHEREAS, these hunts are extremely popular with Oregon's bowhunters and the number of preference points required to draw a tag has been increasing and will continue to increase, and

WHEREAS, a hunter dedicated to trying to draw one or more of these “special” tags and having accumulated a substantial number of preference points may die without ever having drawn a tag, and

WHEREAS, Oregon has no provision for a hunter who has invested many years of applications and application fees to pass his/her preference points on to an heir in the event of his/her death, and

WHEREAS, several other western states have implemented “Pass It On” programs to allow passing accumulated preference points to an heir in the event of the point holder's death, and

WHEREAS, creation of a “Pass It On” program could help retain young hunters who would benefit from the “investment” in the preference point accumulation of a parent or grandparent,

NOW THEREFORE, be it proposed to the OBH Hunting Committee meeting at The Riverhouse Convention Center in Bend, Oregon on March 4, 2018 that OBH supports creation of a “Pass it On” program for passing accumulated preference points to an immediate family member on the event of the point holder's death.

Submitted by Craig Starr, Past President OBH