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House Bill 2970

Joint Transportation Committee

Co-Chairs and Members of the Committee:

For the record, I am David Anzur of Anzur Logistics, LLC, a transportation consulting firm in Salem.

My company assists short line railroads and shippers with their transportation needs. I have represented many of the short line railroads in Oregon and this bill will put undue burden on their rail operations. Many short line railroads are very small and have limited financial resources to only employ a limited number of workers. Many of these employees perform multiple duties such as track maintenance and train service operations. To keep a high level of service, several of these company must have the flexibility to provide a vital service to many Oregon manufacturers.

This proposed law, will not reduce accidents and is an unnecessary regulation. Most railroads in Oregon have two-person crews to maximize efficiency, especially when performing switching tasks, but they must have flexibility. The operations that do have single-person crews have safeguards in place.

This bill is not well written, and it will be left up to regulators to interpret. It is completely unnecessary. This committee should focus on real transportation legislation, i.e. Connect Oregon funding, that positively impacts Oregon and its businesses.

Please vote NO on HB 2970

Thank you for your consideration.

Thank and any David Anzur

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