

Dear Chair Witt and members of the House Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources:

I support HB 2844. Scientists have recognized that beavers play a vital role in restoring wetlands. This gives many benefits, including providing habitat for many vulnerable critters of all kinds, managing water, and providing help in combating climate change. This bill removes beavers from the "predatory wildlife" list and returns management to ODFW so that this ecologically useful animal can thrive in Oregon.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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