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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Committee On Transportation

Measure: HB3202

Testimony in SUPPORT of HB 3202:

I hope to count on your support of the Night Skies bill, HB 3202, which can help curtail the damage done by light pollution to wildlife as well as human health.

This is not a new concept, and in fact other states have already implemented such measures. This bill helps prevent birds and nocturnal animals from being adversely affected by over-illumination, as well as the effects on our own health and safety.

Protecting our night skies while we still have them is easier than trying to restore them once they are gone.

Recently, new lighting was erected in Grants Pass. Our sleep patterns greatly disrupted and our living room illuminated from LED lights with no shades. We had to purchase black out curtains to sleep and to block out nuisance light in our living room.

Sleep is crucial to human health. These lights interfere with Circadian rhythms. The bird population ( and all creatures) are impacted by these nuisance lights. We can do better than this.

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