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On Behalf Of:  
Committee: Joint Committee On Transportation  
Measure: HB3202

I am writing to ask your support in HB3202, the Oregon Night Sky Protection Act,

I've lived in Oregon my whole life, camping and hiking throughout the state. In my lifetime, I've noticed a drastic reduction in the quality and darkness of our night sky.

Living in Yamhill county, the value of Oregon farmland is apparent. Light pollution is increasing being found to not just impact wildlife, but an impact to our farming and farming business. Just one example: <https://www.unep.org/news-and-stories/story/study-suggests-light-pollution-hurts-pollinators-crop-yields>

In both rural and urban areas, bad street lighting causes safety issues.

Money is being wasted, taxpayer dollars are being wasted, when non-shielded lighting fixtures are used. And in our energy transition, wasting electricity only makes things harder and more expensive for our citizens.

Pass HB 3202.  
Thank you,  
Kurt Kreitzer