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On Behalf  
Of:

Committee: House Committee On Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, and  
Water

Measure: HB3086

Confirmation of members of the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission

\*Currently, members of the Fish and Wildlife Commission clearly represent Oregonians throughout the state by membership reflecting population demographics.

\*The stated goals of the commission acknowledge and reflect the responsibility they have to represent all Oregonians in their efforts to protect our state's natural habitats for fish and wildlife through science, research and inclusive public support.

\*The structure of the commission as it currently exists meets the representational requirements for this diverse Oregon population.

\*Changing the structure as suggested in this bill will change the inclusivity of representation. I would suggest that committee members need to be attached to the populations they represent. This will help them reach their goal of increasing diversity and inclusivity for all Oregonians.

\*A structural change to "representation zones" will not meet this need. If any change is needed it might reflect the inclusion of the new house district by increasing the number of committee members to reflect this population increase. (6 districts plus one each from the east and west sides of the state=8)

I support maintaining the current 7 member committee as it exists with attention to proportional representation.

Please oppose HB 3086.

Thank you for your consideration