

Testimony in Support of HB 4148
February 5, 2024

I begin with gratitude to Representative Helm for introducing HB 4148, the Omnibus Wildlife Bill

I am strongly supportive for passage of all four parts of this bill which will help protect wildlife, our environment and people across Oregon by reducing wildlife conflicts, helping stop the spread of invasive species, reducing wildlife collisions, and responding to wildlife disease outbreaks.

HB 4148 represents a wise investment in areas that are critical to protecting Oregon's wildlife. As wildlife comes under increasing pressure reducing conflicts, preventing the spread of invasive species, addressing disease outbreaks, and installing wildlife crossings in high hazard collision zones will only become more important--HB 4148 puts in place positive, proactive strategies to address these challenges.

I care deeply about Oregon's wildlife and support advancing strong programs to ensure that our wildlife is protected.

Thank you for your efforts in this regard.