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On Behalf Of:  
Committee: House Committee On Judiciary  
Measure: SB1576

Dear Chair Kropf, Vice-Chairs Anderson and Wallan, and members of the committee:

I am writing in support of SB 1576 A Recreational Immunity Fix.

When I moved to Corvallis a few years ago, I was absolutely stunned by the dedication that residents have toward maintaining open spaces and access to nature. Our city depends upon access to both privately and publicly held land, for recreation and for safety. I have taken advantage of this access on many occasions to avoid significantly more dangerous conditions along roadways. And my family depends on this access for our physical and mental health, to be out in nature and have quiet areas to recreate. Access to trails is vital for all Oregon's residents, and we should be expanding that access, not limiting it. The state as a whole will be significantly diminished without all the benefits that recreational immunity provides.

Please pass SB 1576A to restore recreational immunity for public and private landowners and to both improved and unimproved trails to keep our community trails open and keep trail improvement projects on track.

Thank you for your consideration,  
Rachel Purcell