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As a 28-year resident of Oregon's North Coast and parent of two young adults, my oldest of whom has Down syndrome, to me, this bill is simple but incredibly important for those of us who fish and harvest shellfish. We want to be sure that those with an intellectual or developmental disability can fish and harvest shellfish like anyone. Sometimes, due to their disability, they need someone to support them during these activities.

Please update the wildlife laws to classify a person with a documented intellectual or developmental disability as a person with a disability for purposes of wildlife laws that pertain to angling and harvesting shellfish.

Thank you.

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