

February 13, 2025

House Committee on Economic Development, Small Business, and Trade  
Oregon State Capitol, 900 Court Street NE,

Room 453

Salem, Oregon 97301

Re: HB 3140 Relating to recreation; declaring an emergency

Dear Chair Nguyen and Members of the Committee:

I am a board member and overnight trip leader for my ski club. I would like to see stronger protections for small, all-volunteer non-profit organizations such as ours. Without protections like HB 3140 offers, outdoor recreation in Oregon will suffer, costs will go, and our economy and our health will suffer.

I disagree with a court ruling such as in *Fields v Newport* that has such wide-ranging consequences because of a technicality. We need to stop this kind of thing for once and for all. Please pass HB 3140.

Sincerely,

Laurel Dickie

Board Secretary, Oregon Nordic Club, Portland Chapter