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Regarding HB2558-Outfitter Guide

Hello, my name is Brad Staples, I have been a licensed fishing guide in the State of Oregon since 1983. Currently, I operate on the lower Deschutes River. I am in support of HB2558, there has not been a price increase in the fee to be a licensed guide since 2014. We need to have qualified employees to manage the Guide and Outfitter registration and licensing process. We also need funding to support an Oregon State Police agent to help follow up with guide and outfitter violations.

Raising the current fee from \$150.00 a year to \$350.00 will provide the funding that is necessary to keep the agency operating and fund the OSP position.

I encourage you to pass this bill.

Sincerely,

Brad Staples