Submitter: Dave Lacey

On Behalf Of: South Coast Tours LLC

Committee: House Committee On Economic Development, Small

Business, and Trade

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HB3140

Dear Chair Nguyen, Vice Chairs Dielh and Isadore, and Members of the Committee

My business is completely reliant on providing high quality guided experiences while being protected from litigation from nefarious individuals. We employ 7 staff and work really hard at our jobs. Yes, our jobs are really fun and we get paid reasonably well. However, it is more of a lifestyle for us. We love sharing the outdoors with visitors to the area and locals who have lived here for years. Visitors spend lots of money on lodging, camping, restaurants, bars, food stores, casinos, etc. while on vacation to Oregon. Without solid recreational immunity for us we cannot continue to provide these experiences and employ our wonderful staff. Our insurance costs are rising along with costs for everything else. It is not cheap or easy to run an outfitter business, but we do our best and enjoy ourselves along the way. Please help our industry thrive and continue to be why so many visitors come to Oregon and spend some time in the outdoors. The memories they make last a lifetime and often times these wonderful memories lead to new residents and new businesses being formed in Oregon. Please support HB3140.

Respectfully,

Dave Lacey

Owner of South Coast Tours