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On Behalf Of: SB771  
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Thank you for the opportunity to testify.  
Thank you Committee Chair, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I am the only lady on our fair board at this time and a proud product of 4-H from the age of 9.

Thank you for this bill that, if passed, will support our small rural county fairs that are, in part, needing repairs and updates so that our 4-H and Open Class exhibitors have the continued opportunity to experience the benefits of animal husbandry, awards for effort spent and honest competition. What an investment in our next generation of farmers, ranchers, fisherman, garment makers, as well as homemakers and businessmen.

I am in Coos County, financially we come in at 34-36th out of 36 Oregon counties and are trying to improve our county fair grounds. We have a group of 6 men who are actively donating their retirement hours digging, repairing and building so that our fair remains competitive and attractive.

This bill could very well help fairgrounds like ours have the very necessary helps to be able to make improvements in updating electrical, plumbing and general upkeep.

I do hope you will pass this bill that supports our fair grounds and therefore our next generations.

Grateful,  
Pam Lewis