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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Agriculture, Land Use, Natural
Resources, and Water

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2977

I urge the committee to support HB2977. There are many reasons to vote in support of this bill. Chief among them are the lack of funds chronically allocated to the Department of Fish and Wildlife and the failure of the Legislature to adequately fund this department to carry out their conservation plans for vulnerable wildlife. In addition, the untold damage done by the Trump Administration's cuts to labor and money to climate change agencies within the federal government will have devastating impacts on an already precarious situation for these essential creatures. Wildlife deserves to be protected from the incredible damage we humans have caused to their habitat. Supporting this bill is a step in the right direction to save Oregon's diverse wildlife during this time of increasingly severe threats to their ability to survive and thrive.

Please consider carefully all the reasons a yes vote is a must. Thank you