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I support HB 2965-5. As an Oregonian, it's important to me that we protect Oregon's coastal waters from the harms of industrial aquaculture. The recent accidental release of thousands of farm raised salmon into the Atlantic salmon spawning population is just one of the biggest concerns. It has been scientifically proven that net pen aquaculture of finfish causes environmental and socioeconomic harms, and we want Oregon to prevent an influx of such operations now that they are banned or seriously restricted on the rest of the West Coast.

I support my local small fishing industry on the Oregon coast, like the Port Orford coop and want our local small industries to retain their health and balanced fishing industry which protects our Healthy Oregon Coast Ocean systems.

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