Submitter: Doe Tabor

On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Agriculture, Land Use, Natural

Resources, and Water

Measure, Appointment or

Topic:

HB3103

Dear Co-Chairs Helm and Owens, and Members of the Committee,

I oppose House Bill 3103 and its amendments.

As a long time Oregonian I have witnessed the destruction of much of our forest lands at the hands of the timber industry. This bill would do more of the same, resulting in clearcuts, more lawsuits, less habitat for salmon and wildlife, and less carbon storage. We need more forest habitat conservation, not less. Biological Carbon Sequestration is imperative to mitigating the climate change. Our mature forests are worth more standing.

I urge you to oppose this bill. Instead, I encourage this committee to focus on measures that would increase carbon storage in our state forests and safeguard our public resources for our children and future generations.

Please don't let this bill pass out of committee.

Sincerely,

Doe Tabor