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On Behalf Of:

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

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3587

Dear Co-chair Helm, Co-chair Owens, and members of the committee,

I urge you to support HB 3587- The Rocky Habitat Stewardship bill. One of the joys of hiking, camping, and doing other outdoor recreation is to marvel at the uniqueness and biodiversity Haystack Rock and Coquille Point provide to marine animals, the environment, and to us. Did you know they support nesting seabirds, such as Tufted Puffin and Common Murre? These locations also support marine mammals, kelp beds, and invertebrate species which are critical to the health of our coasts.

Passing this bill would provide needed agency coordination to manage these sites and a grants program to support community stewardship to ensure rocky habitat sites are protected.

This bill is a modest investment into the future conservation of our coastal areas. I urge you to support HB3587.

Sincerely,

Liz Saufley