Submitter: Krista Hart

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've been an Oregon resident for nearly 30 years now. After growing up in the Chicago area and having lived in Los Angeles for a number of years, I greatly appreciate, and have grown to love, Oregon's forests, natural habitat and its diverse wildlife.

I highly oppose House Bill 3103 and its amendments. This timber industry bill undermines the state forest habitat conservation plan and would result in more clearcuts, more lawsuits, less habitat for salmon and wildlife, and less carbon storage.

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,

Krista Hart