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On Behalf Of: Oregon Water Unity

Committee: House Committee On Agriculture, Land Use, Natural

Resources, and Water

Measure, Appointment or

Topic:

HB3856

Members of the Committee,

Please oppose this bill. We are already one of the higher taxed states in the nation. While I Like where some of the funds would be going in this bill, ODFW has been mismanaging funds for years. I saw another bill raising the Fees for hunting and fishing licenses drastically (HB2342); therefore it is safe to say that should both bills go through, It will end up just being a fund to collect more money for both ODFW and the general fund.

As a small business owner, when times get tight, we have to improvise and adapt, we have to cut spending, and cut valuable workers. If this is also the case with ODFW, then they need to do the same. We should not look at how to raise more money for their operations, but rather see which programs are TRULY necessary and beneficial to both the citizens, and also to fish and game.

Again, I urge the committee to OPPOSE this bill.

Thank you for your time and consideration. CJ Nugent