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On Behalf Of:

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

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3856

Testimony Opposing Oregon HB 3856

Chair and Members of the Committee,

I urge you to oppose HB 3856. While the intent behind this bill may be well-meaning, Oregon's government has a longstanding issue with accountability in spending. Before seeking additional funding, the state must first demonstrate fiscal responsibility with its existing budget.

Year after year, we see inefficient allocation of taxpayer dollars, ballooning administrative costs, and little transparency on how funds are managed. Instead of burdening taxpayers or seeking external funding, Oregon must prioritize internal financial discipline, cut wasteful expenditures, and ensure that current resources are being used effectively.

Until there is clear accountability and responsible budgeting, granting more funds—without addressing existing inefficiencies—will only exacerbate financial mismanagement. I urge you to reject HB 3856 and demand better stewardship of Oregon's finances.

Thank you.

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