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On Behalf Of:	
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I am writing in support of SB1131 for the Chintimini Wildlife Center. CWC has provided care and support to thousands of injured, sick and orphaned wildlife for over 30 years. The Education Department runs hundreds of educational programs each year. This is all done with minimal staff and a facility that has been in need of repair for the past decade. Each year is spent trying to patch up old buildings and enclosures without the funding to properly fix or replace them. This bill would allow the Chintimini Wildlife Center to not only have a solid foundation to update the center itself, but also to increase the services they do for wildlife and the public. Several of the nearest wildlife centers have closed down in the last 10-15 years. It is imperative that we fund the Chintimini Wildlife Center so that they can continue to serve the Willamette Valley and beyond.