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As a scientist who works for the Conservation Biology Institute and on the Board of Directors of the Society for Conservation GIS, I fully support SB 1131. State initiatives to fund projects that benefit Oregonians via local environmental education and rehabilitation of injured wildlife are critical in the face of uncertain federal funding. Awarding a grant to the Chintimini Wildlife Center would facilitate creation of a public interactive nature center to educate and excite the next generation of Oregonians while creating a sustainable funding stream for future wildlife rehabilitation.- SB 1131 is a wise use of funding that would yield long-term benefits for the public as well as nature.