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I support this measure to protect beavers because of the many positive effects beavers have on their environment. Beaver activity results in more complex, healthier waterways and improved water quality, creation of wildlife habitat, and increased wildfire resilience. As an Oregonian with asthma, anything that could help reduce wildfire impacts while supporting local habitats is of utmost importance to my and my community's health. I have seen both from afar and firsthand that resident beavers are able to restore waterways simply by building dams and lodges, and am well aware of the quantity of impaired waterways in Oregon (nearly 1/3 of all stream miles!) that beavers could help improve. Please join me in supporting this measure.