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On Behalf Of:

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This bill is a crucial step toward ensuring the safety and well-being of both the people who work on Oregon's railroads and the communities they serve. By requiring two crew members on each train, this bill creates a vital safeguard against accidents caused by fatigue, emergencies, or unforeseen circumstances. It's not just about regulations—it's about protecting lives. The additional oversight will provide peace of mind, especially for families living near freight lines, knowing that there's an extra layer of protection in place. This thoughtful and commonsense measure isn't just an improvement to our transportation system; it's a commitment to the safety and security of every person who relies on the railroads. I wholeheartedly support this bill.