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To: Senate Committee on Rules  
From: Kristin Anderson Ostrom, Executive Director  
Re: SB 602 - Task Force on Modernizing Nonprofit Grant Funding and Contracting Recommendations  
Date: April 8, 2025

Chair Jama, Vice-Chair Bonham, and Members of the Committee

Oregon Rural Action, a nonprofit in rural eastern Oregon, joins with other nonprofits across the state to ask you to support the recommendations of the state Task Force on Modernizing Grant Funding and Contracting by passing SB 602.

As a community-based nonprofit organization, Oregon Rural Action provides critical resources in underserved rural areas and solves challenging problems. SB 602 modernizes the government funding and contracting process to address long-standing challenges. In addition, the bill creates an office of nonprofit partnership and establishes a nonprofit advisory council to oversee implementation and compliance.

If enacted, SB 602 will improve and streamline the structure and administration of government grants and contracts, strengthening public-nonprofit partnerships to serve communities more effectively and efficiently.

Thank you for your leadership in supporting the passage of Senate Bill 602.

Sincerely,  
Kristin Anderson Ostrom  
Executive Director