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House Committee on Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, and Water
RE: SB 812

Co-Chairs Helm and Owens, Vice-Chair Finger McDonald, Members of the Committee,

The Oregon Hunters Association (OHA) is Oregon's largest state-centric hunter conservation organization, representing 12,000 sportsmen and women throughout 26 chapters in the state. Our mission statement is 'to protect Oregon's wildlife, habitat, and hunting heritage' and we strongly support science-based wildlife and habitat management.

OHA supports SB 812 and the removal of the sunset on the Landowner Preference (LOP) Program.

The LOP program began in the early 1980s and underwent numerous adjustments as suggestions and concerns from both landowners and hunters were considered. OHA has been an integral part of the conversations and workgroups that have helped shape this program. In 2013, workgroup recommendations informed the most recent changes to the program, creating a balanced and sustainable program that has proven itself over the last decade.

OHA supports the LOP program as it is currently structured and supports the removal of the sunset. We would not be supportive of any additional changes to the program or its framework.

Thank you for your time,
Amy Patrick
OHA Policy Director