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This is a destructive and self defeating solution to the problem of funding wildlife fire prevention. This bill would drastically decrease the amount of recycling and trash cleanup that Oregon bottle returns encourage. We would see more trash on road sides and public areas and there would be loss of jobs as well. Oregon proudly has the honor of being one of the first states of this nation to have a bottle and can deposit. Started in 1971 along with stringent anti littering laws to address the issues of litter and trash accumulating in our parks, beaches and road sides. We have eased up on the littering laws, (and enforcement) now if you cut out the bottle returns, I shudder to think what a country drive through our gorgeous state will look like. Find another way of funding fire prevention, like cutting the salaries and pay for our state legislature, congress, governors.