

Submitter:

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On Behalf Of:

Committee:

House Committee On Revenue

Measure, Appointment or Topic:

HB2977

Dear Chair Nathanson, Vice-Chair Reschke, Vice-Chair Walters and members of the Committee,

As Conservation Chair of the Salem Audubon Society I am writing on behalf of our roughly 1000 members to urge you to support HB 2977. This bill would ensure long-term, dedicated funding to recover Oregon's most imperiled fish, wildlife, and habitats.

Wildlife in Oregon is declining due to climate change, habitat loss, and other human impacts. In fact, there are nearly 300 species of greatest conservation need and 11 habitats of conservation concern in our state. Unfortunately, the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife is perennially underfunded and unable to adequately address their needs.

HB 2977 would remedy this by providing a steady, sustainable source of funds to ODFW to recover Oregon's most imperiled species and habitats. Please support "1% for Wildlife" by passing HB 2977.