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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Revenue

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2977

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

Please support HB 2977, a bill to secure long-term, dedicated funding to recover Oregon's most imperiled fish, wildlife, and habitats. Oregon's wildlife is at the heart of what makes our home state so wonderful. It is also what draws tourists from around the world.

Wildlife and wild places are under threat from climate change and other human-made harms. If not protected, they may be lost forever, a terrible cost to this place we all love.

There are nearly 300 species of greatest conservation need and 11 habitats of conservation concern. To combat this - and ensure all species thrive in Oregon - we need bold, proactive investments in their recovery.

HB 2977 would do just that by providing a steady, sustainable source of funds to the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife to recover Oregon's most imperiled species and habitat and enhance biodiversity - all of which contribute to Oregon's tourism and outdoor recreation economy.

Please support "1% for Wildlife" by passing HB 2977 today.

Thank you.