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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Revenue

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2977

Please vote yes in support of HB 2977, the "1% for Wildlife" bill would provide necessary funding for wildlife and habitat conservation by increasing the state tourism tax from 1.5% to 2.5%. Even with this 1% increase, Oregon would still have one of the lowest state tourism taxes in the country.

As an Oregonian, I believe it is our responsibility to protect our environments.

This bill secures long-term, dedicated funding to recover Oregon's most imperiled fish, wildlife, and habitats. Funding is needed to ensure conservation of our beloved coastal ranges, and local businesses and tourists should understand that, and be willing to pay a little bit more to enjoy these spaces.

Thank you.