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On Behalf Of:	
Committee:	Senate Committee On Rules
Measure, Appointment or Topic:	SB1153
I'm writing in opposition to SB1153.	

The proposed new standards are vague and unproven, without structure for evaluation. The ability to transfer water rights in a timely and reliable manner is necessary for producers, as new water is largely unavailable. Transfers are generally the only practical option for moving water where it is needed.

Creating new standards that are unproven, vague, add time and expense to transfers and prioritize environmental ideals over economics and food production will be a detriment to producers and Oregon residents who rely upon locally produced food.

I encourage you to not pass SB1153.

Sincerely,

**Thomas White**