

June 5, 2025

Testimony for SB 485 A

Dear Chair Nathanson and Members of the House Committee on Revenue.

My name is Elizabeth Dehne from Eastern Lane County. My husband and I are the 4th generation that live on and manages 190 acres of Forest and Farmland. This bill provides the needed fix that will allow us to pass on the estate without burdening the next generation or forcing a sale.

In the 1990's when my husband's Great Aunt passed, we were forced to log almost all the place to pay the inheritance taxes. This left us with very little resources to cover the costs of maintenance and improvements. Our family is very committed to maintaining the land and forest for the best possible conservation purposes. We know that a healthy forest provides clean air and water for the public good.

Please support SB 485 A, vote yes and pass it out of committee.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Dehne

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