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HB2977

This bill would provide critical, long-overdue funding for protecting Oregon's native wildlife, restoring habitats, reducing wildlife-vehicle collisions, and supporting efforts to help people and wildlife coexist. This is the reason I moved to Oregon from Ohio, the natural beauty and splendor of this great state. And that splendor is the reason why I am more than happy to pay my fair share of taxes to help protect it.

We as a people have a duty to protect the lands that we are so fortunate to have as our home, and this bill helps provide much needed support when those lands are at as much risk as ever with change in regulation, climate, and needs of society. We owe it to ourselves, and to future generations to ensure these lands are protected so we can continue to enjoy them as much as the generations before us did.