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Senator MCLANE
Salem Oregon

Dear Senators and House Members,

I am writing today to oppose Senate Bill 1545 and ask that you vote to oppose this bill.

1. The topic of corner crossing does not reach the level of urgency to constitute an emergency. Therefore, the bill should be considered during the full session in 2027 allowing all of the affected parties sufficient time to comment on and participate in formulating a reasonable solution.
2. The following questions need answered before passing this bill and to avoid putting a tremendous burden on landowners to prosecute individuals who “unknowingly” trespass on private property. The corners are not marked. Who will carry the burden to clearly identify the corner? Current GPS technology will get us close but is it close enough?
3. The law should apply to public land as well as private land. If a person can cross the corner of private land to access public land then the reciprocal should apply, allowing access to private land.
 - a. The bill should clarify private land to private land corner crossing as well. Can I corner cross private land to access private land?
4. I appreciate that the bill specifies that the individual can cross on foot. However it sets a precedence as it takes private property rights. Very few people hike the wide open spaces of eastern Oregon. The use of ATVs and UTVs is the primary mode of travel. Who will carry the burden to enforce the “foot travel” only portion of this bill.
5. Section 2 of the bill has several areas of concern as it describes buildings and premises. I will focus on (4) “Open to the Public”
 - a. I have a great deal of concern with the language found in: (4) “Open to the Public” which states: “means premises which by their physical nature, function, custom, usage, notice or lack thereof or other circumstances at the time would cause a reasonable person to believe that no permission to enter or remain is required.”
 - b. My reading of this language coupled with permission to “corner cross” puts the full burden of identifying property boundaries on the landowner. The open rangelands of southeastern Oregon will be covered in no trespassing signs or fences to clearly identify property boundaries. I would ask that the language in

(4) "Open to the Public" be modified to relieve the property owner of the burden of delineating all property boundaries.

6. Please do not advance this bill as written. Hold the bill for the full session in 2027 and work with all parties to address the issue in a comprehensive and collaborative manner.

Sincerely

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