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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Agriculture, Land Use, Natural  
Resources, and Water

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB4105

I am opposed to HB 4105. This unnecessary bill is an expensive waste of taxpayers money. The new right to sue the ODF would cost the state millions of dollars in ODF and DOJ staff time and legal fees. This bill will lead to increased litigation against the ODF.

The ODF has already exceeded its harvest objectives over the past 10 years. HB 4105 will result in increased industrial clearcutting of Oregon's forested public lands. The environmental health and future of our state will be severely diminished by excessive logging.

I am especially alarmed by the corporate pressure to convert much of Oregon's forests to wood pellets to be shipped to Asia and Europe and inefficiently burned for energy generation, releasing additional tons of carbon dioxide in to the atmosphere. Thank you for considering my opinions.

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