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Outdoor recreation fosters social bonds and bonds with our natural world, giving participants a personal stake in environmental protection.

Local communities rely on commerce associated with the recreation and health and fitness industries to strengthen their economies, create jobs and enhance their quality of life.

Every other western state enforces recreational liability waivers for ordinary negligence, creating unique challenges and competitive disadvantages for Oregon's recreation and health and fitness providers.

The insurance impacts of the current Oregon recreation liability environment are resulting in higher costs to our club and could result in closure of some entities.

SB1593 returns waivers to their intention to allow operators to conduct safe and reasonable practices in offering recreational activities to the public