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On Behalf Of:
Committee: House Committee On Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, and Water
Measure, Appointment or HB4105
Topic:

Dear Members of the House Committee on Agriculture, Land use Natural Resources and Water,

I write to oppose HB 4105 and its amendments. Only the last remnants (less than 8%) of old growth forests remain in the Pacific Northwest. These forests are worth vastly more intact than as harvested timber. These irreplaceable ancient forests buffer extreme weather, resist wildfire, produce clean air and water, and provide habitat for important native species like salmon, bird, mammals and plants found nowhere else in the world. The unique, magnificent, awesome beauty of these forests is priceless. HB 4105 and it's amendments make clear cutting a priority, basically wiping out all the protections I've worked for over decades. A legislature that allows clear cutting to overwhelm all other values is not representing me or generations of Oregonians that follow. Once those forests are felled, those ecosystems are gone forever. Please do not pass any part of HB 4105.

Sincerely,
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