

February 11, 2026

Senator Floyd Prozanski Chair

Senate Committee on Judiciary

Oregon State Capital

900 Court St NE, Room S-413

Salem OR 97301

Re: SB 1545- Request to Withhold Consideration of SB 1545 During the 2026 Short Session

Dear Chair Prozanski,

My name is Hunter Neuharth, writing on behalf of Neuharth Ranch LP in Post, Oregon. We are a family cattle ranch that faces many obstacles every day. I would like to request legislature to request public input & concerns on how SB 1545 would change corner crossing land access. While most may view this as a narrow access issue from a working ranch perspective it is a significant policy shift that risks eroding fundamental property rights in Oregon.

Why are we concerned about SB 1545? It invites conflicts and increases risk in working lands. The Term "Corner Crossing" is not just a legal concept but becomes boots, dogs, vehicles parked along roads during times of grazing, wildfire season, breeding and more. This bill will likely cause more disputes at boundaries and more pressure on rural sheriffs and landowners to sort out "what happened at the corner". Now it shifts the burden onto rural landowners without meaningful safeguard. Landowners will now be left with real world costs: monitoring such as gates being left open or where livestock are grazing that previously hunters could not access that pasture, stress levels amongst livestock, fence damage, increased trespass beyond the corner crossing and day to day friction that comes with higher traffic on the edge of private ground.

At a minimum, on the behalf on Neuharth Ranch LP we urge the legislature to hold a well noticed public hearing in Salem and in rural Oregon, with meaningful time for testimony from ranchers, farmers, timber owners, sportsmen and county law enforcement. Please delay action of SB1545 until there is a clear public testimony opportunity.

Respectfully,

X 
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