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**Dear Representative Phil Barnhart**

**Ref: HP2869**

**There is a requirement to file our work waver under ORS517.210 in order to maintain our mining claim or lose it to someone else. The miners exemption to not have to pay a recording fee has been in effect, and needs to be included in this bill.**

**The minerals on these claims are private property.**

**This would be the same as you having to file the deed to your house every year, and pay the recording fee, or lose your home.**

**Please put language into the bill to reflect our exemption to these fees.**

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