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Statement to House Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee in support of HJM 2

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This memorial is important and timely. Our state is close to the tipping point on effectively addressing the issue of cormorant predation. We believe if HJM 2 gets the attention of a few key state and federal officials it will help create major policy and economic benefits involving Oregon salmon fisheries. A relatively small investment in government programs could see our state utilize proven tools and strategies that will produce important results. Man made conditions have created much of the current problem in our coastal areas and we now have the ability to start correcting the situation. Millions of small salmon and steelhead are now being consumed by cormorants each year in Oregon. It is time for everyone to give more attention to cormorant management.