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Hello,

I am emailing you today to express my concerns over HB 3515. Wolves are a native wildlife species, and therefore an asset held in trust for the benefit of the people.

In *State v. Dickerson*, the Oregon Supreme Court reaffirmed that wildlife is an asset in which the state has a sovereign interest on behalf of the citizens of the state. That trust is perpetual, meaning the state must be able to protect and preserve wildlife assets in the future, if necessary. This bill is in derogation of the legislature's public trust responsibilities.

The future of wolves in the West is still at a crossroads. Do not let this legislature bind the hands of wildlife managers in the future.

Thanks you for your time.

Sincerely,

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