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Chair Hass, members of the Senate Committee on Finance and Revenue,

As an native Oregonian, I only recently learned that not all beaches nationwide are open to the public. How blessed we are here in Oregon to have made that choice and commitment 50 years ago. I also only recently learned that the money I pay while camping at the beach, does not stay at the beach. SB 745 proposes a simple solution to this problem.

I support this bill because it is taking money visitors spend at the beach and keeping it at the beach. Beaches face increasingly significant problems of visitor safety, vandalism, increased marine debris, beachfront armoring and sand removal, and a rising and expanding range of recreational uses. This will not cost visitors any additional money, and uses their funds more appropriately.

I urge you to support Oregon's Ocean Beach Fund (SB 745) this legislative session in the 50th Anniversary of our historical Beach Bill.

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