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Chair Helm and Members of the Committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony in support of HB 2656. After last year's algae bloom that affected our water supply, we here in Salem became very aware of how important it is to protect our drinking and irrigation water. Climate change increases the chances of more algae blooms. Forests help.to keep rivers and streams cool, reducing conditions favorable to toxic algae.

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