

Senate Committee On Natural Resources and Wildfire Recovery

Re: SB 335

For the record, my name is Kent Tresidder. I operate a tree farm near Coquille. I'm a member of the Oregon Small Woodland Association and the Society of American Foresters but I am testifying only for myself today.

I will begin by stating that I OPPOSE SB 335.

1. This bill would further politicize the Board of Forestry at a time when partisanship should be de-escalated.
2. What seems to be the problem with the existing system? It has worked well for the affected publics for more than four decades., and has been considered by many to be the premier forest regulating system in the United States. I do not want to see it CHANGED or MODIFIED.
3. I want to remind you that Governor's Private Forest Accord is moving in a direction which will hopefully improve management of Oregon's private forestlands. It seems this bill is PREMATURE, if not PREJUDICIAL. Please, let's let the Private Forest Accord process mature before making any legislative remedies.

I will close by asking you to please TERMINATE SB 335. It is hasty and potentially damaging to our forestry industry.

Respectfully submitted,

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