We oppose HB 2357.

We own just over 100 acres of forest/farm land near Sheridan, Oregon having lived here since 1980.
We took a Master Woodland Manager course in 2002 taught by OSU extension and funded by OFRI which inspired us to become very active in the sustainable management of our forest. We are now certified with Oregon Tree Farm System and have contributed hundreds of volunteer hours promoting best forest management practices to other small woodland owners. OFRI has been an invaluable resource to us with seminars, tours, and educational materials. We recommend OFRI's website, knowyourforest.org to countless people. During covid OFRI sponsored excellent webinars on a wide variety of subjects related to sound forest practices. OFRI is the best use of our tax dollars that we know of. Their staff is excellent, knowledgeable, and dedicated to pursuing and disseminating the best science regarding the health and sustainable use of our forests for all Oregonians.

We need our forests to work for us all socially, economically and environmentally especially in mitigating climate change. Please do NOT pass HB 2357.

Thank you. respectfully, Hal and Elin Hagglund