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On Behalf Of:  
Committee: House Committee On Rules  
Measure: HB3382

HB 3382-A11 The Port Exemption Bill

To: Joint Transportation Committee

My name is Diris Murphy and am a resident of Coos Bay, Oregon.

I am urging the Joint Transportation Committee to oppose HB 3382, the Port Exemption Bill, because I live in Coos Bay and was married to a commercial fisherman for 20 years. I know many people in the commercial fishing community and want to make sure that whatever is done by the State or Local government agencies is ecologically good for the coastal estuaries and our fishing community. I believe the scientists that HB 3382 would erode the essential functions of coastal estuary management plans, such as the Coos Bay Estuary Management Plan, which are currently being updated through the Oregon Coastal Management Program. When there are proposals for large scale channel modifications that could impact our local economies that depend on the bay, they should have to go through the existing land use process.

Instead of creating shortcuts for corporate profits, coastal citizens are urging Oregon legislators to vote no on HB 3382-11 to sustain our livelihoods that depend on the bay.

Thank you.