

## **OREGON HUNTERS ASSOCIATION** Protecting Oregon's Wildlife, Habitat and Hunting Heritage

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House Committee on Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources & Water Support for HB 2527

Chair Helm, Vice-chairs Owens and Hartman, committee members,

Oregon Hunters Association (OHA) supports HB 2527 and the positive changes it brings for landowners seeking to create and maintain wildlife habitat on their private lands. OHA's mission is tied directly to protecting Oregon's wildlife and habitat which aligns with this program and the changes proposed in HB 2527.

The changes requested in the bill will allow the work load to be allocated across state agencies to better maintain the program and improve the landowner experience. We are supportive of programs that increase wildlife habitat on private land while streamlining agency and staff time to make the program run more efficiently.

Thank you,

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