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On Behalf Of:
Committee: Joint Committee On Transportation
Measure: HB3202

To the Oregon Legislature:

Please vote YES on H.B. 3202 (the Night Skies Protection bill) which will create standards to limit and mitigate light pollution across Oregon. PLEASE!

I really don't understand why we blast all this light into the night skies. I live at a Portland address, though in Beaverton/Washington County. I feel safe at night walking alone, just about anywhere. Good God, what the heck are these massive street light poles for? They are too high up to make me feel safe, or comfortable, if that's the argument, and Lord knows, my car has high beams if there's some reason I can't find my way to my house. Why are we wasting all this energy, and polluting our skies?!?!?!?!?!?

It's time for Oregon to get to work to address this issue. Light pollution can disrupt carefully choreographed ecosystems including impacting animals' feeding habits, migration, and predator/prey relationships, and can have far-reaching effects on human health as well.

Protecting our night skies while we still have them is easier than trying to restore them once they are gone.

PLEASE. I beg of you.

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