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To: Co-Chairs and members of the Joint Committee on Transportation

From: Betty Stansbury, Director, ODAV

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Re: HB 3202

HB 3202 proposes to require most outdoor lighting fixtures on public land or constructed with state funds to use shielded light fixtures, and to require state agencies to remove unshielded outdoor light fixtures.

The Department of Aviation has asked the bill's sponsor, Representative Hudson, to amend the bill to clarify that outdoor lighting fixtures used for aircraft navigation are exempt from this requirement, and he has agreed to do so.

By their nature, aircraft navigation aids such as rotating beacons (which help identify the location of an airport from the air) approach lights (which guide the aircraft to the end of the runway) runway threshold and edge lights (which tell the pilot where the beginning and edges of the runway are) and obstruction lights (which warn pilots of a tall structure) **cannot be shielded**. And these are often located on public lands as most public use airports in Oregon are owned and operated by cities, counties, authorities, or the State.

We appreciate Representative Hudson's willingness to make this technical correction.