

House Committee on Rules

Re: HB 3086

Chair Fahey, Vice-Chairs Kropf and Breese-Iverson, Members of the Committee,

As a member of the sportsmen and conservation community, I support HB 3086 with the -7 amendment. A more regionally diverse representation on the ODFW Commission better aligns with the management needs of fisheries, wildlife, and habitat in the state.

The -7 amendment provides a reasonable option for allowing the two at-large positions to be selected statewide. It also ensures no single river basin has disproportional representation by stipulating that these positions cannot be from the same basin. This approach offers more Oregonians the opportunity to serve on the Commission and maintains the diversity of applicants.

I strongly urge your support for HB 3086-7.

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