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On Behalf

Of:

Committee: House Committee On Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, and

Water

Measure: HB4148

Thank you to Representative Helm for introducing HB 4148, the Omnibus Wildlife Bill.

As both a wildlife biologist and community member, I care deeply about Oregon's wildlife and support advancing strong programs to ensure that our wildlife is protected. Therefore, I strongly support passage of all four parts of this bill which will help protect wildlife, our environment and people across Oregon by reducing wildlife convicts, helping stop the spread of invasive species, reducing wildlife collisions, and responding to wildlife disease outbreaks.

HB 4148 represents a wise investment in areas that are critical to protecting Oregon's wildlife. As wildlife comes under increasing pressure reducing conflicts, preventing the spread of invasive species, addressing disease outbreaks, and installing wildlife crossings in high hazard collision zones will only become more important--HB 4148 puts in place positive, proactive strategies to address these challenges.

Thank you,