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I am Scott Clay and have long been involved in historic preservation of Oregon's heritage. I offer my testimony in support of HB 4124 and a specific project in Oregon Caves National Monument. In my library are several books on the Great Lodges of the National Parks, most designed by prominent architects of the era. The Oregon Caves Chateau stems from a different, vernacular design heritage. Still in the tradition of National Park architecture, Grants Pass contractor Gust Lium designed and built the Chateau . The six story rustic style building, dedicated in May 1934, rises out of the Cave Creek ravine. Lium utilized a mix of woods milled from the forest of Oregon. From the Incense cedar bark siding, which contributes to its appearance of organic growth, to the interior spaces and details the Oregon Caves Chateau is remarkable intact. Funding in HB 4124 will assure the level of architectural integrity will be maintained.