

Submitter: Helena Birecki
On Behalf Of:
Committee: House Committee On Judiciary
Measure: SB1576

Dear Chair Prozanski, Vice-Chair Thatcher, and members of the committee,

I am joining many trail alliances and youth recreation organizations in writing in support of the recreational immunity portion of SB 1576. I live in Tillamook County and enjoy hiking and recreating on the beautiful beaches and trails here, and walking or biking to those places.

It is important for the mental and physical health of Oregonians that both "improved" and "unimproved" trails remain open.

It is also good that this bill explicitly makes a distinction between the ordinary risks of recreation in natural places vs "gross negligence" for which there shouldn't be-- and this bill doesn't allow-- immunity.

Sincerely,
Helena Birecki