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On Behalf Of:  
Committee: House Committee On Judiciary  
Measure: SB1576

Dear Representative Rayfield!

This is Angie Gallagher. I am an avid long-distance Trail Runner and certified functional medicine wellness coach,. I ask you to please pass SB 1576A to restore recreational immunity for public and private landowners!

Trail running, has had an enormous positive impact on my health in the health of my clients. Research continues to show that exposure to natural spaces has profound, benefit and mental, emotional and physical health.

Many other people feel the same about these trails! Each year OSU Research Forests receives 155,000 uses! Each year volunteers do 4,000 hours of volunteer trailwork in OSURF to maintain and improve the local trail system!

These trails are a huge asset to the local community, but can only exist if local landowners allow recreation. As landowners have lost the protection of recreational immunity, it is becoming difficult for them to leave their lands open to the public.

Please pass SB1576A to protect landowners so they can continue to allow the public to recreate on their lands.

Thank you Representative Rayfield! I appreciate you listening to the public and representing us.

Angie Gallagher