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Please support HB 3527. Oregon eelgrass meadows are essential not only to hold together the entire ocean ecology of the area, but these swaying under-water meadows are working like ocean laboratories to balance the chemistry of the air that we breathe... Oh, not to mention the habitat contribution eelgrass makes, and in trying to keep the sea at a temperature that is survivable to all of the ocean wild life that we call Oregon "cash crops" - like salmon, crabs, and clams. We support this effort to provide protection to eelgrass and its important role in our own survival. Thank you,

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