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Co-Chair Gorsek and McLain, Co-Vice Chairs Starr and Davis, and Members of the Committee:

I am an Oregon resident asking you to support HB 3362.

Each year in Oregon, there are over 7,000 wildlife-vehicle collisions with large animals. On average, four people die and over 500 people are seriously injured. The cost of these collisions on Oregon roadways is likely more than \$100 million each year.

Oregon's animals add such beauty and value to our state, and the damage the collisions to them and cars is awful.

Fortunately, there is a solution. Wildlife crossing structures are a proven, popular, and cost-effective technique to improve public safety and restore habitat connectivity. Please protect both our wildlife and our communities by supporting HB 3362.