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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Natural Resources and
Wildfire

Measure, Appointment or
Topic: HB3932

To: Representative Marsh, Senators Gorsek, Golden, Representatives Bowman,
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Representatives Andersen, Chaichi, Chotzen, Evans, Fragala, Gamba, Gomberg,
Hartman, Helm, Hudson, Kropf, Levy E, Lively, McDonald, McLain, Neron, Nguyen H,
Nosse, Walters,
Senators Meek, Patterson, Pham, Reynolds

All wild life management, including Beaver, should be based on evidence backed science. There has been no specific evidence submitted by the supporters of this bill that the current beaver harvest in Oregon is not reasonable and sustainable or harmful to the environment.

The economic analysis minimizes the loss of revenue to ODFW from the reduction in trapping license sales and the expense of mitigating beaver damage that becomes the states responsibility. Additionally there can be expected to be legal expenses resulting from defending this legislation against challenges.

In areas where beaver restoration is desirable this is best accomplished by trapping and transfer, with the emphasis on trapping.

Legislation like this restricts the options and thus limits the ability of ODFW to optimally manage the resource while decreasing their revenue and increasing the cost to the state. This is not the fiscally responsible course.

I urge you to defeat this bill and let the states own professional wildlife managers do their jobs without political interference.

Respectfully.

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