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On Behalf Of: Schnee Vogeli Ski Club  
Committee: Senate Committee On Judiciary  
Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB1517

Dear Senate Committee On Judiciary,

I am writing on behalf of myself and Schnee Vogeli Ski Club of Portland Oregon in Opposition to SB1517. This bill does not take the necessary steps to allow non-ski resort recreational entities to operate with reasonable liability standards, does not take into account non-resort sponsored activities such as alpine ski racing occurring within the confines of a ski area, and in general leaves the majority of Oregon recreational organizations exposed to higher liability than our peer states in the west.

Please consider SB1593 in lieu of SB1517. SB1593 provides greater liability relief to ski areas, while also covering all non-ski area sport, fitness and recreational providers in the state. SB1593 offers a balanced approach to liability standards that is in line with our neighbors.

Sincerely,  
Christian Bennett  
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