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Committee: Senate Committee On Natural Resources and
Wildfire

Measure, Appointment or
Topic: SB1590

Chair Golden, Vice Chair Nash, and Members of the Committee:

SUPPORT S.B. 1590

Please prohibit the selling of public lands and resources in Oregon. They belong to all Americans and Oregonians and should not be privatized. People, businesses and Tribes depend on our public lands for sustenance, recreation, and cultural values. They are critical to Oregon's quality of life, which keeps many of us here, and brings others to visit. They greatly assist rural economies across the state.

Our public lands help provide clean water and healthy ecosystems. Additionally, our public lands sequester carbon to help offset the increasingly dire climate crisis we face, and provide critical habitat and refuge for the many threatened and endangered species that are at risk.

Passage of this bill will help ensure that these lands remain in public hands for our enjoyment, and even more important, for coming generations.

I urge you to support this bill. Thank you.

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