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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Commerce and General  
Government

Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB1593

Dear Chair Meek, Vice-Chair Drazan, and Members of the Committee,

I am writing in support of SB 1593 and respectfully urge the Committee to include an amendment allowing youth waivers signed by a parent or legal guardian.

The proposed changes to Oregon's waiver enforceability would reduce legal uncertainty, lower costs for small organizations, and help protect access to outdoor recreation and stewardship opportunities across the state.

Including youth waivers is essential. Families should be encouraged to recreate and volunteer together, and organizations should not be forced to turn away young participants due to liability risk. This amendment would support both family participation and the long-term health of Oregon's outdoor and volunteer communities.

Thank you for your leadership on this important issue and for considering this amendment.

Sincerely,  
Javas Wray