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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Finance and Revenue

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB4134

Chair Broadman and members of the Senate Committee On Finance and Revenue,

I am writing to support HB 4134 which increases the state lodging tax by 1.25% to protect Oregon's wildlife and habitats.

I regularly travel in-state and out of state as a tourist, and I can assure you that I have never made a decision to stay in a particular place based on the state tourism tax rate.

It is simply not enough to be noticeable, and I will be glad that when I do pay it, it goes to support the very reason I have booked that travel in the first place: to see stunning wildlife. This is an opportunity to bring together urban and rural people, and help localities where the habitat restoration and protection work takes place.

We need to protect the reason that people come to Oregon in the first place, and our current piecemeal system does not do that.

Sincerely,
Dawn Nafus

Please support "1.25% for Wildlife" by passing HB 4134 today.