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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Finance and Revenue

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB4134

Chair Broadman, Vice-chair McLane and committee: I'm writing today in strong support of HB 4134 and encourage you to support it as well. This bipartisan legislation will enact a permanent fix to help fund the state's underfunded wildlife and habitat programs without needed to tap into general fund dollars.

A modest increase in the state transient lodging tax will provide necessary funding to invest in species and habitat recovery, which have long been neglected. Our wildlife and incredible landscapes in Oregon are strong economic drivers and are major reasons visitors come to our great state. We are overdue for this kind of action.

Thank you.

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