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Hello!

Recreational liability protections are vital to Oregon. We are a family that skis, and we need the resorts to stay open. We need for skiing to be affordable for us. Please save our sport. It's sad that, from what I've read, personal injury attorneys are driving the other side of this.

We need liability waiver reform that aligns Oregon's laws with other states, reducing costs and creating greater certainty for small organizations. That in turn allows us to continue protecting access and opportunity for recreation and stewardship activities alike. This session we have consistently shared our support for the policy language in SB 1593A as a workable solution that would meet everyone's needs. I'm told Mt Hood Meadows and others could support the moving of SB 1517A forward with the -A11 or -A15 amendments. The -A11 amendment contains the language we've asking for all along, and we're also willing to trade the certainties of SB 1593A for the broad applicability of -A15 if that is the legislature's provided route toward a compromise.

Thank you for keeping skiing alive in Oregon! We are counting on you to do the right thing this year.