

Dear legislators,

Even with amendments, HB2001 is an impending "train wreck." Everything about the bill is a violation of SB100 Goal One (Citizen Involvement) and Goal Two (Land Use Planning). My dad used to say, tongue-in-cheek: "Do something, even if it is wrong." HB2001 strikes me as just that: Doing something just to do something, even though it is a terrible bill. The details matter, as with everything in life. It is far better to take the time to think things through, engage the citizens in a meaningful way, and use data to inform decision-making. I am seeing none of the above in this bill. Please put on the brakes, pitch this bad idea into the rubbish can, and start over intelligently.

Thanks,

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