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Subject: OPPOSE HB 2001 as amended- official testimony
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Dear Legislators,

I strongly urge you to **OPPOSE HB 2001**. Please don't apply House Speaker Kotek's well heeled and misguided approach that is Portland's Residential Infill Project (RIP) across the entire state.

This bill completely disenfranchises local governments, local experts and local populations who should be making the zoning decisions that affect their communities. **HB 2001 does not consider the details of different communities and their specific infrastructures, needs, and desires.**

Furthermore, **Eliminating single family zoning**- which is what HB 2001 does- **will not increase the stock of affordable housing, it will reduce it** by encouraging the demolition of what is currently affordable and replacing it with newer, more expensive units. Blanket up-zoning has repeatedly been shown to increase housing costs and displace vulnerable communities. Like economics, housing does not "trickle down." HB2001 is merely a give-away for developers and corporate landlords, hence why these groups are bankrolling the special interest groups that are rabidly lobbying for it.

Additionally, single family housing and neighborhoods remain what most Oregonians want. Would your constituents want their city to look like Portland? And despite what Representative Kotek touts, RIP is wildly unpopular in Portland which is why its supporters are now attempting to ram it through at the state level. There is no "housing crisis" there is an affordability crisis. HB 2001 will only make it worse.

This bill may have started with good intentions, but it is ill-informed, misguided and way too top-down. **Please reject this one-size-fits-all ploy by those who stand to profit and let communities decide how to best deal with their land use and housing issues.**

Sincerely,
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