

Oregon Citizens Lobby

A growing statewide collaborative effort by citizens to promote legislative accountability.

Oregon Citizens Lobby opposes HB 2839 for the following reasons.

This bill denies just compensation to property owners whose land is rezoned if the new zoning allows industrial uses.

Personal Choice

If a property is rezoned from either residential or commercial to industrial zoning, it usually results in a reduction in property value. This bill would deny just compensation to the property owner when his property was rezoned against his will.

Limited Government

This bill increases the government's ability to take away private property rights without just compensation to the property owner.

Free Markets

A private property owner should be able to use his private property for the highest and best usage as determined by the property owner. This bill allows the government to restrict the economic use of private property and to reduce its value without just compensation to property owner.

