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Senate Committee on Business and Transportation

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900 Court St. NE, S-419
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BUILDING
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RE: Senate Bill 133

EMERGENCY
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Dear Senator Beyer:

ENVIRONMENTAL
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Several years ago, the State Building Codes Division approached local government and construction contractors with a plan to implement an electronic building permit system. The permitting system is now used by many cities and counties across Oregon. As users and supporters of this unique state and local government partnership, we strongly encourage your support of SB 133, which would allow this system to continue.

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With this system, county governments are able to electronically track and account for our building inspection programs and provide on-line services to our customers. We benefit from the use of a tried and true vendor through the state's system and the ability to spend our scarce IT resources on other needs within the county. In Marion County we have experienced significant cost savings with the new permitting system and are ensured cost savings in the future through the system's dedication to ongoing maintenance and customer support.

This is an example of a system that works and the passage of SB 133 is critical to continue this effort.

I urge your support of SB 133 and thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Warren Jackson
Building Official