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- Community Housing Fund
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- Housing Development Center
- Human Solutions
- Impact Northwest
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- Lane County Legal Aid and Advocacy Center
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## HB 2442: Focus on Housing as a State Policy Priority

House Human Services and Housing Committee  
February 11, 2015  
HB 2442

Chair Keny-Guyer and members of the Committee;

The Housing Alliance is a coalition of more than fifty organizations from all parts of the state. Our members have come together with the knowledge that housing opportunity is the base on which all of our success is built – individual success as students, parents, workers, and community members as well as the success of our communities. We represent a diverse set of voices from residents to local jurisdictions to non-profit housing developers and organizations working to meet basic needs.

We ask your support for House Bill 2442.

Oregon’s housing needs will be best addressed by an agency that looks across jurisdictional boundaries to bring partners and state agencies together in crafting solutions. The Oregon Housing and Community Services (OHCS) transition plan and HB 2442 will ensure that the department is able to assume a stronger leadership role in statewide housing conversations and policy by creating the Oregon Housing Stability Council and consolidating other governing bodies.

HB 2442 continues the process outlined in OHCS’s plan to make changes to its governance and service delivery structure.

We believe the changes to the structure of OHCS included in HB 2442 constitute the necessary next steps to ensure the department continues on its path to better fulfill its mission.

On behalf of the Housing Alliance, I urge your prompt consideration and support of this proposal, which promises to benefit all Oregon communities. Thank you for your service.

Sincerely,

Omar Carrillo Tinajero  
On Behalf of the Oregon Housing Alliance