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The Honorable Michael Dembrow, Chair
Senate Committee on Workforce

RE: SB 414 – Relating to analyses required before conducting a procurement for services

Chair Dembrow and members of the committee:

The City of Eugene opposes SB 414, which would allow an employee or representative of an employee's bargaining unit to seek judicial review of a city's decision to contract out for a service in an amount over \$250,000. Current law requires certain public contracting agencies, including cities with a population over 15,000, to either demonstrate that procurement of services will cost less than performing the services using the contracting agency's own personnel and resources, or demonstrate that performing the services using the agency's own personnel and resources is not feasible.

The cost analysis or feasibility determination required by ORS for applicable purchases each require detailed research, analysis, and documentation. A judicial review would be burdensome, redundant and an inefficient use of taxpayer dollars.

Thank you for considering my comments. I urge your opposition to SB 414.

Best regards,

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