Sen. Mark Haas, Chair Senate Committee of Finance and Revenue State Capitol, Room 143 900 Court Street, NE Salem, OR 97301

RE: HB 2482, HB 2483 A, HB 2484 and HB 2487

Dear Sen. Haas:

On behalf of the Oregon State Association of County Assessor (OSACA) I would like to express our unqualified support for the following bills that will be heard by the Senate Committee on Finance & Revenue on Wednesday, April 8, 2015:

HB 2482; Requires Department of Revenue to appraise industrial property if improvements have real market value of more than \$1 million, unless appraisal delegated to county upon request of county assessor.

HB 2483 A; Clarifies that right of any other party to seek determination of total real market value of unit of property or real market value of components of tax account or unit of property applies in appeals of accounts constituting unit of property.

HB 2484; Extends due date to March 15 for filing of certain property tax returns.

HB 2487; Requires correction of maximum assessed value due to correction of square footage of property to be proportional to change in real market value of property that is due to correction of square footage.

While all four bills were introduced at the request of the Oregon Department of Revenue, they were developed jointly by the Department and OSACA. Each in its own way improves Oregon's property tax system by making it more accurate, fair and efficient.

We urge your committee's support of all four of these bills.

Respectfully,

Tom Linhares OSACA