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**Clackamas County Board of Commissioners  
Policy Position  
SB 592: Relating to affordable housing**

**Clackamas County opposes SB 592:** The Board of County Commissioners opposes SB 592 in its current form, which repeals state law that prevents local governments from imposing conditions on approved permits that effectively establish sales price for residential development or limit purchase to class or group purchasers. This bill directly impacts ORS 197.309.

Clackamas County believes that SB 592 enables a zoning method that would prevent land owners from realizing the equity intended with their property purchase. In addition, even though the bill grants permissive authority to enforce this type of zoning, Clackamas County experiences pressure from its neighboring, larger counties to adopt urbanizing methodologies that do not always coincide with the goals, needs, and public opinion of Clackamas County.

We urge a “no” vote on SB 592.

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