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Chair Gelser and members of the committee:

I am Jolene Guptill of [organization-193] from Beaverton. I am writing to ask you to support allowing cities to use inclusionary zoning as a local housing solution.

I live in Beaverton where we have the highest rate of homeless students in the state 6 years in a row. We need to provide affordable and stable housing for our families now.

I have family and friends receiving no cause evictions and \$175/mo rent increase.

We need to fix this now

Inclusionary zoning can help increase housing opportunity by providing cities with an important tool to create more affordable units and diverse communities.

We must act now to increase the number of affordable units, and inclusionary zoning is an important local solution that Oregon should allow. I hope that you will support these measures, and I thank you for your service.

Sincerely,
Jolene Guptill