

**Testimony by Wilsonville Mayor Tim Knapp  
in Support of SB 1582:  
Proposed Legislation Provides Resources to  
State to Address Affordable Housing Crisis  
Working Through Established Processes**



For Public Hearing Scheduled on Feb. 3, 2016, Before the  
Senate Committee on Human Services and Early Childhood

**To Chair Gelser and Vice Chair Olsen and Members of the Committee:**

The City of Wilsonville supports SB 1582 as introduced as a straight-forward, common-sense approach to helping address the affordable housing crisis in Oregon. Active State engagement in creating new affordable housing opportunities can be part of a larger, multi-pronged strategy to deal with the current shortage of such residential living space.

Unlike other legislative proposals that may seek to modify state land-use law, create unfunded mandates for local governments or preempt local authority, the proposed legislation utilizes existing processes and channels of operation by Housing and Community Services Department.

Wilsonville agrees with the premise listed in Section 2, 5(a), which seeks to ensure that “Moneys made available through the program must be distributed statewide and concentrated in areas of this state with the greatest need for affordable housing.”

The City of Wilsonville respectfully urges a “Do Pass” vote on SB 1582 as introduced. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Tim Knapp".

Tim Knapp, Mayor  
City of Wilsonville