



Chair Hass and members of the Senate Revenue Committee,

Thank you, for the opportunity to provide testimony on SB 1533A. Oregon AFSCME Council 75 represents employees at over 50 cities, counties and housing agencies across the state. All areas are familiar with the issues we are facing around housing and know the importance of having a state policy that allows for each local jurisdiction to craft what works for their communities.

Inclusionary Zoning is about providing accessible housing for all income levels. When working people of all income levels have access to housing in the communities where they work they have a greater connection to the community and more time for their families and friends. For public employees when we are able to live where we serve, we have a better understanding of our communities' needs and a greater connection to our work.

AFSCME stands with our 48 other coalition partners in Inclusionary Zoning and asks for you to pass SB 1533A.