

Date: May 10, 2017

To: House Committee on Revenue

From: The Association of Oregon Counties

Subject: Senate Bill 311A

Please add to the records of the House Committee on Revenue these comments related to Senate Bill 311A, which is on the committee's agenda for public hearing on May 10, 2017.

AOC RESPECTFULLY ASKS THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON REVENUE TO PASS SENATE BILL 311, AS AMENDED

SB 311A has several strong points that make it easy to support. Among them, the bill:

- fits an AOC goal of facilitating communities to prepare for catastrophic events.
- provides the option to the county governing body to act on the authorization.
- sets reasonable limits to the ordinance or resolution.
- has a very high level of agreement required among local taxing districts at 75% of combined rate of taxation.

There are amendments to consider that would strengthen SB 311A.

Please move it to the House floor "do pass".

