

Date: June 13, 2017

To: House Committee on Revenue

From: The Association of Oregon Counties

Subject: Senate Bill 311A-6

Please add to the records of the House Committee on Revenue these comments related to Senate Bill 311A-6, which is on the committee's agenda for a work session on June 13, 2017.

AOC RESPECTFULLY ASKS THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON REVENUE TO PASS SENATE BILL 311A WITH THE -6 AMENDMENTS

SB 311A-6 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, including the requirement that the local government to impose a limit on the total amount of exemptions that may be approved.
- has a very high level of agreement required among local taxing districts at 75% of combined rate of taxation.
- makes other changes that will improve the implementation of this important program.

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