



February 2, 2018

House Committee on Revenue
Oregon State Legislature
900 Court St. NE
Salem, Oregon 97301

Re: HB 4120

Dear Members of the House Committee on Revenue:

Thank you for the opportunity to express support for HB 4120, which expands the definition of “transient lodging intermediary” to ensure that all transactions for commercial (pay to stay) temporary accommodations for less than thirty days, are treated equally under the law no matter the mechanism, process or person collecting payment.

The legislative language changes proposed in HB 4120 create a fair and equal statutory environment for commercial temporary accommodations transactions and end the ability of some businesses fully engaged in commercial temporary housing transactions to claim they are not subject to existing statutes and local taxing jurisdictions.

The legislative language proposed in HB 4120 is championed by both the public and the private sectors.

Travel Lane County urges your support and would like to express our gratitude to the sponsors of HB 4120, the hospitality sector and local cities and counties for working together on this issue of statewide importance.

Sincerely,

Kari Westlund
President & CEO