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Before the  
House Committee on Revenue

In support of HB 4120

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On behalf of the Washington County Board of Commissioners I want express our support for HB 4120.

We have joined other local governments across Oregon in an effort to increase clarity and provide additional transparency for the collection of the transient lodging tax.

With the emergence of online intermediaries into the marketplace, compliance with TLT program has become increasingly difficult. We too share concerns over transparency with our current agreement with an on-line intermediary and would welcome improved accountability.

HB 4120 provides added clarity and conformity that will allow local municipalities to collect and remit revenue associated with home and room rentals.

HB 4120 will bring the online intermediaries on a level playing field with every other entity with a similar purpose.

HB 4120 brings us much closer to a guarantee that TLT will be paid on the full value of the rental cost.

Washington County urges your support of HB 4120.