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Chair Susan McLain  
Vice-Chair Mark Meek  
Vice-Chair A. Richard Vial  
House Committee on Transportation Policy  
900 Court Street NE  
Salem, Oregon 97301

SUBJECT: Testimony of the City of Salem in Opposition of House Bill 4092

Dear Chair McLain, Vice-Chairs Meek and Vial, and Committee Members:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments regarding House Bill 4092.

The City of Salem is opposed to House Bill 4092, which would require a local government to amend its comprehensive plan and land use regulations to conform to the needs of a State-owned airport into land zoned exclusive farm use.

This bill circumvents standard Oregon land-use and public-process laws to create a special interest "carve-out" that permits, among other provisions, extension of the runway at the Aurora State Airport without going through the otherwise required land use and public processes. This will result in unfair competition with adjacent jurisdictions and make further development on or near Salem's municipal airport all the more challenging.

The City of Salem urges a "no" vote on House Bill 4092.

Sincerely,

Chuck Bennett, Mayor  
City of Salem

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