To: Chair Rep. Doherty, Vice-Chair Rep. Alonso Leon, Vice-Chair Rep. Helt, and members of the Committee

From: Anne Nesse, Director http://SustainableEconomiesNW.com



I am submitting written testimony in favor of HB 2594.

It is obvious from reading the other testimonies, how many positive and essential impacts are happening in the cities of Oregon, because of the Sustainable City Year Program, at the University of Oregon.

I personally, as Director of @SustainEcoNW, rely on educated scientists, and professionals, in the study of living more sustainably, students who understand the planning, and the implementation goals, for the intelligent design of more "sustainable cities" of all sizes. Many facts and figures are included in <u>Urbanism in the age of climate change</u>, by Peter Calthorpe.

We must be constantly learning and implementing. And it is well documented that more intelligent design of cities is one of the major factors in becoming more sustainable as a state and a planet. \$300,000 is a small investment to make for HB 2594 to the University of Oregon. And when possible, even more funds for the implementation of projects in the future.

Thank you, Anne Nesse