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I oppose SB595, and I urge you too, as well. Adjusting the allocation percentages of net revenue from new or increased local transient lodging tax to allow up to 30% of such revenue to be used to fund affordable workforce housing is wrong.

The Legislature and hotel industry, in good faith, negotiated a statewide lodging tax that would be reinvested in destination marketing. And, we all know that the dollars generated by those marketing efforts are significant to Oregon's economy.

Having only one of the state's many industries, in this case the lodging industry, pay for statewide affordable housing strategies and solutions is unfair. Vacation rentals are having an indisputable impact on workforce housing affordability and should be held accountable in the solution.

Thank you for opposing SB595,

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