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The Honorable Brian Clem, Chair
The Honorable Susan McLain, Vice-Chair
The Honorable Bill Post, Vice-Chair
House Committee on Agriculture and Land Use
900 Court Street NE
Salem, OR 97301

Subject: HB 3272 -2 Amendment

Chair Clem and members of the committee:

Thank you for hearing House Bill 3272. I wish to provide some background and intent behind the bill with the -2 amendment.

The amendment requires that petitioners and cross-petitioners file any motion to take evidence outside of the record no later than 7 days from the date the record is settled. Respondents, such as local jurisdictions, are not so similarly limited and can make the motion at any time.

The rationale behind this distinction is fair. Local jurisdictions file the record and cannot know the basis of the petitioner's arguments until their briefs are filed. On rare occasion the local jurisdiction may find that a motion to take evidence outside the record is necessary in response to petitioner's arguments. Accordingly, it would be unfair to limit respondents to making this motion before knowing the basis of petitioner's arguments.

I appreciate the opportunity to bring House Bill 3272 to you and ask for your support with the -2 amendment.

Respectfully,

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