

Please vote "Don't Pass" recommendation re HB 2001 A.

This bill is a poorly-crafted bill that usurps local planning and is essentially an attempt by developers who care nothing about Oregon cities' neighborhoods and seek only to extract profit through radial redevelopment. The evidence is clear that it will incentivize out-of-area, speculative real estate investors, and will not contribute to "housing affordability." The "fronts" for these developers, such as the mis-named "Oregon Smart Growth" have co-opted organizations such as "1000 Fiends of Oregon" and have bamboozled naïve zealots to lend support to the investors' false front.

This bill is in complete conflict with Statewide Planning Goal 1 and is an insult to Tom McCall and the citizens of Oregon who supported Senate Bill 100 -- based on the first principle that citizens would be involved in land use planning. Instead, this bill serves the greedy and the zealous, not ordinary citizens. It has no place in Oregon Laws.

Please carefully review the strong opposition from Oregon city elected officials, League of Women Voters, and knowledgeable planning officials.

Thank you,

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