

Committee Members,

I write you today as a real estate agent and owner of a real estate brokerage in Portland. I am writing in support of HB 2578. It is no secret that our state is facing an affordability crisis, and that no reasonable solution should be ignored. Despite what other voices in my industry might be saying, I don't think preservation of tax benefits for seconds homes and high-income earners is that solution.

I know that the mortgage interest deduction has long been a third-rail, but now is the time for bold action to help our fellow Oregonians. We can't continue with the status quo on housing policy, and your constituents are paying more attention now than ever before.

Thank you,

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