

As a public health professional and environmental advocate, I strongly support the passage of HB2488. I appreciate the work that has gone into the collaborative development of this important legislation and the careful review by your committee.

Climate change is impacting the health of Oregonians, with disadvantaged populations often facing disproportionate effects. How we plan for and use our lands will impact directly on the health of future generations. Setting this climate justice goal and expectation for land stewardship will strengthen community resilience.

Having worked most of my career in local governmental public health, I recognize the reality of work loads and budgets and the value of staggering the expectations for compliance across population size. It will be important for state agencies to provide information and training, along with financial support, in order for jurisdictions to comply.

Oregonians deserve passage of HB2488.

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