

I oppose House Bill 2246 because it is too broad. From the discussion at the committee meeting, it sounds like an error was made. Rather than burdening taxpayers with a sweeping statewide bill to cure a land buyer's mistake, it would be more efficient for the landowner to appeal the decision and fix the problem through existing means.

As the representative from DSL testified at the hearing, a landowner is only required to return the land to its condition before the illegal action took place.

This directly contradicts claims by the proponents of the bill.

Also, it is easy to lookup wetlands on any city or county or Oregon state GIS system. Real estate agents are very familiar with these user-friendly property information systems. They are public, easy to use, and free. Google it!

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