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Requested by Senator GIROD

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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO **SENATE BILL 464**

On page 1 of the printed bill, line 2, after the first semicolon delete the 1 rest of the line and insert "and". 2 Delete lines 5 through 28 and delete page 2 and insert: 3 "SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section: 4 "(a) 'Eligible county' means a county any part of which was in-5 cluded in the geographical area covered by the state of emergency 6 declared by the Governor in response to the wildfires that occurred in 7 this state between September 1, 2020, and September 30, 2020. 8 "(b)(A) 'Eligible property' means all taxable real and personal 9 property, including land, that is identified on a map adopted by a 10 governing body of a county pursuant to subsection (2) of this section, 11 regardless of whether the property was damaged, or 12 13 destroyed or un-harmed by the wildfire. Why would the 14 Legislative Assembly give ad valorem property tax relief to a 15 property owner in which the real or personal property was 16 unharmed [no dash required]. I oppose SB 464 -1 as written, 17 especially the constant language of cancel, canceled, cancellation.... 18 "(B) 'Eligible property' does not mean property subject to assess-

- ment by the Department of Revenue under ORS 308.505 to 308.674. "(2)(40) There we are a body of an eligible county may adopt an or-"(A) In the case of real property, including land, the owner or
- purchaser under a recorded instrument of sale; or "(B) In the case of personal property, the person assessed, person in possession or owner.

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- dinance or resolution directing the tax collector to prorate and cancel ad valorem property taxes imposed on eligible property in the manner set forth in this section.
- "(b) An ordinance or resolution adopted pursuant to this subsection
 must:
- "(A) Include a map, in any media or format, adopted by the govrning body through a public process that includes an opportunity for public comment. The map must describe the boundaries within which property taxes shall be prorated and canceled pursuant to this section and identify the eligible property within the boundaries.
 - "(B) Provide for proration and cancellation of ad valorem property taxes on eligible property without requiring an application from the owner of the eligible property.
 - "(C) Direct the tax collector to collect one-sixth of the ad valorem property taxes imposed on the eligible property for the property tax year beginning on July 1, 2020, and cancel the remainder.
 - "(c) An ordinance or resolution adopted under this section may apply retroactively but is not valid unless it becomes effective within 45 days following the effective date of this 2021 Act.
 - "(3) If proration and cancellation of taxes under this section results in an overpayment of taxes paid on eligible property, the amount of the overpayment shall be refunded to the owner of the eligible property as if the owner were an applicant entitled to a refund under ORS 311.806 (1)(i) for the proration of taxes under ORS 308.425.
 - "(4) New construction or repairs on the site of, or to, eligible property granted proration and cancellation of ad valorem property taxes under an ordinance or resolution adopted pursuant to this section may not be taken into account as new property or new improvements to property under ORS 308.153 for any assessment year beginning before January 1, 2021.

- "(5) It is the intent of the Legislative Assembly that this section and ORS 308.425 shall operate concurrently for the property tax year beginning on July 1, 2020. Accordingly, in applying this section, the provisions of this section shall supersede the provisions of ORS 308.425. The provisions of ORS 308.425 may be applied without reference to this section.
- "SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2021 Act is repealed on January 2, 8 2023.

"SECTION 3. This 2021 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the 2021 regular session of the Eighty-first Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die.".

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