

Testimony in Support of HB 4064

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Chair Jama, Vice-Chair Anderson, and members of the Committee, on behalf Oregon's 241 cities the League of Oregon Cities is offering its support of HB 4064 A.

HB 4064 provides an important standardization that will allow siting of prefabricated structures in mobile home or manufactured dwelling parks, including parks that are cooperatively owned. It also allows clarification for local governments for the siting of manufactured homes and prefabricated structures in single-family dwelling zones inside urban growth boundary.

Here some important factors that contribute to our support for HB 4064.

LOC has been an active participant in the formation of the bill along with other local government partners and supports the removal of outdated standards that create barriers to the use of manufactured housing in their communities.

LOC members have a growing interest in the opportunities that manufactured housing and prefabricated homes can play in offering affordable housing options in their communities.

LOC members seek more tools to help address affordable housing, especially more options for affordable homeownership in their communities.

Finally, one of the outcomes of the disastrous Labor Day fires has been a need to expand flexibility of state resources to help rehouse natural disaster survivors who lost their homes. This is clearly a critical need to get families back in their homes as quickly as possible.

LOC is urging your support for HB 4064 A.