

To: House Committee on Rules

From: Aileen Kaye

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Re: "No" SB 70 A (Allows housing developments on EFU land.)

Dear Chair Fahey, Vice-Chair Breese-Iverson, Vice-Chair Kropf, and members of the committee,

I urge you to not pass SB 70 A out of committee.

1. The housing desired by some homebuilders in Malheur County is for the wealthy and does not meet the current need in Oregon.
2. This is a slap in the face to Oregon's land use laws.
3. I have reason to believe this bill is wanted by Dem leadership as a favor to Findley for his votes on other bills Dems want. Not a good way to legislate.
4. The Senate Committee on Natural Resources, where this bill originated, was going to NOT vote this bill out of committee. The day of the vote, the committee chair was told by someone in Dem leadership to refer it to Senate Rules. Dirty pool. The three Dem members of Sen. Natural Resources voted against this bill the other day on the Senate Floor.
5. This bill is an example of the chipping away at Oregon's excellent land use laws via death by 1000 cuts. There is a report by that name which I hope you each will read.

Thank you for your time.

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