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This legislation is a bad idea for reasons running the gamut of public harms, from stifling technology in Oregon to running afoul of FAA's authority over the national airspace system. Some obvious problems:

1. STEM projects would be unreasonably burdensome to get off the ground if you literally have to get the consent of hundreds of people who have no understanding or interest in the technology. No public institution could afford to do that.
2. Recreational flights would be unreasonably difficult in Oregon because it is impractical to impossible to get permission from every property owner or occupier over which you fly.
3. Recreational or "noncommercial flights" that do not have a clear grant of FAA approval over the ocean might not be possible (if the ocean is "real property"). Who would you go to about requesting permission?
4. A federally-authorized flier should not be exposed to state court litigation over the scope of their FAA approval.

Maintaining privacy from drones is important, but this legislation is too broad and goes too far. It would kill innovation with drones in Oregon.