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On Behalf Of: Mr Oregon Opposes HB 2594

Committee: House Committee On Judiciary

Measure: HB2594

I OPPOSE [HB 2594]. The issues discussed should be reclassified as "Felonies" with corresponding immediate taking violator into custody with "No" Bail.

The "Text of [HB 2594]" states, "(6)(a) Except as provided in paragraphs (b) and (c) of this subsection, violation of ORS 476.715 is a Class B violation.

- (b) Violation of ORS 476.715 is a Class A violation if the commission of the offense creates a risk of wildfire.
- (c) Violation of ORS 476.715 is a Class B misdemeanor if the commission of the offense creates an extreme risk of wildfire."

Why does (a) designates, "the offense creates a risk of wildfire" as a Class A Misdemeanor?

Why does (b) designates, "the offense creates an extreme risk of wildfire" as a Class B Misdemeanor?

The "Fines for Misdemeanors in Oregon" can be found here: https://oregon.public.law/statutes/ors_161.635

- **Should not, "the offense creates an extreme risk of wildfire" as a Class A Misdemeanor whose monetary fine is \$6,250.00
- **Should not, "the offense creates a risk of wildfire" as a Class B Misdemeanor whose monetary fine is \$2,500.00?
- ***Jail time for Misdemeanors: https://oregon.public.law/statutes/ors_161.615
- **Jail time for Class A Misdemeanors: [364 days]
- **Jail time for Class B Misdemeanors: [6 months]

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Mr. Oregon Concurs and says, "I think there are mistakes in [HB 2594]."