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Section 10 of the bill is problematic. Bypassing the public process to rezone industrial land could have harmful consequences to the nearby community, the land, the water, and the air, and render prime agriculture and forest lands irrevocably damaged. It does not meet the intention of the Oregon land use laws, and especially violates Goal 1: Citizen Involvement.

I would prefer to see existing underutilized industrial lands within urban growth boundaries used for semiconductor manufacturing, rather than allowing use of prime farm and forest lands that are difficult or impossible to restore from industrial uses back to food or timber production. There are hundreds, if not thousands of acres of shovel-ready industrial land all over Oregon, this loan program should only apply to lands already zoned industrial as of the date the bill goes into effect.