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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Housing and Development

Measure: SB1051

I am opposed to SB 1051-2.

The bill proposes something intended to be good, but which is good only for the period of the initial land conversion. It is not permanent.

Once the land is removed from rural to urban use, it can be resold for use other than what is intended by the statute. Only one fifth of the land goes for affordable housing, but not in perpetuity.

This is an example of a housing need being exploited with no built in standards that guarantee the minuscule 1/5 will ever be set aside for the population needing affordable housing. There are Oregonian values and then there is the exploitation of Oregon values. This is an example of the latter.