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It is important to build strong, healthy neighborhoods and communities, not just housing projects alone. Each new project has the opportunity to contribute to its neighborhood and community in a positive way - the planning and zoning regulations in Oregon's cities and towns are designed to promote positive outcomes for the circumstances present in their neighborhoods. Thoughtlessly designed, stripped-down, cheaply constructed apartment projects that don't conform to established development standards and guidelines have a strong potential to become Oregon's future slums rather than desirable neighborhoods. HB 3414 needs to be sent back to the drawing board to become a reasonable tool to streamline development of new affordable housing in Oregon.