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On Behalf Of:

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I am opposed to Section 47 for MODULAR HOUSING FUNDING unless amended to include MANUFACTURED HOMES. Modular homes are factory built homes that are structured to local and state building codes. Manufactured homes are built to a nationally recognized HUD code which allows state specialty code to add to requirements, but not reduce in any facet(OMDISC). Manufactured homes can be placed on all residentially zoned properties in Oregon, and supersede any state, county or city codes which cause additional cost or regulatory burden. Manufactured housing production has the ability to scale up production to meet critical home needs with five manufactured home factories with the capacity for 3000-4000 homes per year. Large scale home production, for modular homes specifically, is non-existent and even if their were these modular home factories would be subject to state complexities and limited labor force that would slow or halt delivery and set up.

To add "Manufactured Housing" to the existing bill would make the accessibility to housing during Oregon's crisis stronger. The immediate application of Manufactured home factories would scale production and distribution of homes across Oregon. Historically over 10,000 single family homes were delivered in Oregon per year. To omit manufactured homes in the bill limits the accessibility of housing to the communities of Oregon.