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On Behalf Of: Ems

Committee: Joint Committee On Ways and Means Subcommittee On Capital Construction

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On behalf of the Eugene Emeralds I want to state my support for funding to build a new stadium in Eugene. The Ems have been a fixture in Eugene for many years and provide not only sports entertainment but also revenue and jobs for Lane County. In Oregon we do not have an MLB team other than the farm teams that exist in a few cities. Baseball is as American as apple pie. The proposed site for the stadium will provide not only a place for baseball but also a venue for other events. This usage also brings revenue and provides jobs. The proposed area near the fairgrounds needs renovation.

I am fully in support of keeping the Ems in Eugene and building a multi-purpose venue.