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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Housing and Homelessness

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3589

Re: HB 3589

March 5, 2025

Dear Chair Marsh, Vice Chairs Breese-Iverson and Gamba, and Members of the Committee,
Efforts to improve Oregon's housing situation are much appreciated, and HB 3589 should be passed.

The source of the funds, the Senior Property Tax Deferral Revolving Account, is a logical one. However, I ask that the Committee consider the origin of the fund, and maintain an appropriate portion to support those eligible seniors in their current homes. This account is unknown to most, and I find that there is interest in accessing the deferral when seniors and/or their children are introduced to it. (My sample group is from among members of the Oregon Education Association Retired.)

Thank you for your attention to housing issues in Oregon.
Maureen Barnhart