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On Behalf Of: Mr Oregon OPPOSES HB 2964

Committee: House Committee On Housing and Homelessness

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2964

I OPPOSE [HB 2964 -3]. What is the total indebtedness of the Housing and Community Services Department?

[HB 2964 -3] is another reason to shutter the Housing and Community Services Department.

- ***Is [HB 2964 -3] a variation of Tammany Hall's 'Vote Buying' and assorted corrupt political mechanisms?
- ***[HB 2964 -3] does not provide for and or encourages competitive bidding for services as defined in,

From the TEXT of [HB 2964 -3], "...SECTION 3. On or before July 1, 2026, the Housing and Community Services Department shall award a grant to Leaven Community, a public benefit corporation, to provide technical assistance and resources, including by making connections to nonprofit corporations that have previously developed affordable housing, to entities that may develop affordable housing as described in section 2 (3) or 6 (2) of this 2025 Act...."

***Why is, "The Affordable Housing Predevelopment Loan Fund" established in "SECTION 5" and not 'SECTION 1?"

From the TEXT of [HB 2964], "...SECTION 5.

- ***...(1) The Affordable Housing Predevelopment Loan Fund is established in the State Treasury, separate and distinct from the General Fund.
- ***...(2) The Affordable Housing Predevelopment Loan Fund consists of moneys appropriated, allocated, deposited or transferred to the fund by the Legislative Assembly or otherwise and the proceeds of loans under section 6 (4) of this 2025 Act.
- ***...(3) Moneys in the fund are continuously appropriated to the Housing and Community Services Department for the eligible costs incurred by the department under section 6 of this 2025 Act....
- ***Review: [ORS 456.270]: [https://oregon.public.law/statutes/ors_456.280]
- *** Read and prepare to vomit... SECTION 6...
- ...SECTION 7. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the Housing and Community Services Department, for the biennium

beginning July 1, 2025, out of the ***...General Fund, the amount of:

- ***...(1) \$10,000,000 to provide grants under section 2 of this 2025 Act.
- ***...(2) \$10,000,000 for deposit into the Affordable Housing Predevelopment Loan Fund established under section 5 of this 2025 Act.
- ***...(3) \$250,000 to provide a grant under section 3 of this 2025 Act.
- ***...(4) \$125,000 to inform eligible organizations about the availability of grants and loans under sections 2 and 6 of this 2025 Act...."
- ***[HB 2964 -3] is one of the most despicable pieces of Legislation this 2025-2027 Session.
- ***[HB 3964 -3] is another reason for Elon and the DOGE Brothers to claw-back all Federal Funds from Oregon's Housing and Community Services Department.

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Mr. Oregon Concurs and says, "[\$20,375,000] (for starters) for [HB 2964 -3]? "