

April 1, 2025

Representative Thuy Tran, Chair  
House Committee on Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans  
900 Court Street NE  
Salem, OR 97301

RE: Port of Portland Testimony in Opposition to HB 3062

Dear Chair Tran and Members of the Committee:

The Port of Portland (Port) opposes HB 3062, and the forthcoming amendments as described by proponents (but not yet available the morning of April 1<sup>st</sup>), which would prohibit or hamper fuel terminals and warehouse and distribution facilities. The mission of the Port is to build shared prosperity for the region through travel, trade, and economic development. HB 3062 would add costs to the movement of goods and constrain economic opportunities.

The conceptual amendment (and base bill) would require large buffers around residences, parks, and numerous other uses that account for the vast majority of land in the Portland metro region.

**Fuel Storage Facilities and Transfer Stations:** New or expanded fuel storage facilities or transfer stations would be prohibited within a half-mile of specified uses, meaning: 1) no expanded capacity for renewable fuels, aviation fuels including Sustainable Aviation Fuel, or marine fuels within the Critical Energy Infrastructure hub in Northwest Portland, which local zoning code currently allows; and 2) no new or expanded fuel storage facilities within a half-mile of a single residence or park anywhere in Oregon, despite efforts to create more resilient fuel supplies in the state.

**Warehouse and Distribution Centers:** Impact assessments would be required for warehouse and distribution centers on any existing or new industrial land, causing uncertainty, increased costs, and delay by imposing conditions for land use approvals. This appears to apply even if the land has had similar uses in the past or industrial use preceded the siting of other uses in the buffer area. The land use permit would also be conditioned on completion of a Cleaner Air Oregon assessment in conjunction with the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality, whereas typically it is the state air quality permit that is partially contingent on local land use.

Many of the concerns highlighted here with the conceptual amendment also apply to the base bill. The Port respectfully urges your opposition to HB 3062. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Director of Government Affairs