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On Behalf Of:  
Committee: House Committee On Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans  
Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3062

### Key Concerns with HB 3062

#### Threatens Economic Development & Job Creation

HB 3062 would restrict industrial expansion, directly undermining local efforts to attract and retain businesses. This impacts job growth, economic stability, and long-term opportunity across our region.

#### Jeopardizes the Clear Lake Industrial Area

The City of Eugene has requested \$10.5 million to develop infrastructure at the Clear Lake site—a major opportunity for high-wage jobs and future tax revenue. HB 3062 introduces regulatory roadblocks that put this investment at risk.

#### Unnecessary and Unclear Regulation

The bill misuses land use and zoning codes to control business operations already governed by strong environmental rules. It creates uncertainty, adds bureaucracy, and does little to advance environmental outcomes.

#### Chilling Effect on Oregon's Business Climate

HB 3062 sends the wrong message about Oregon's readiness for economic growth. It could stall projects, reduce investment, and diminish tax revenues that fund essential public services.

#### Harms Employers Supporting Families

The bill creates new permitting burdens for businesses offering on-site childcare if located near "sensitive uses"—even if not near homes or schools—discouraging a benefit many workers rely on.

#### Vague and Expansive Definitions

The broad definition of "sensitive uses" (schools, parks, shelters, hospitals, and potentially unsanctioned camps) could apply to many industrial zones across Eugene, impacting a wide range of employers.

#### Lacks Technical Clarity

Ambiguous language and undefined processes make this bill difficult to implement for both businesses and local governments—opening the door to confusion,

inconsistency, and unintended consequences.

Subject: Please Oppose HB 3062

Dear Legislators,

As a member of Oregon's business community, I am writing to share my strong concerns about HB 3062 and the negative impact it would have on local job creation, economic development, and the long-term vitality of our communities.

Businesses like mine are deeply invested in our communities. We are not just employers—we are partners in building strong, resilient places to live and work. HB 3062 threatens that partnership by creating unnecessary and unclear regulatory barriers that will make it more difficult to grow, expand, and support the people we serve.

Specifically, this bill would undermine significant economic development projects like the Clear Lake industrial area in Eugene. The City has requested \$10.5 million in state infrastructure funding to prepare this site for high-quality job creation and business investment. HB 3062 would make that vision much harder—if not impossible—to achieve.

It also misuses land use and zoning codes as a tool to restrict operations of industries that are already subject to strong environmental regulations. Instead of offering clarity, this bill introduces uncertainty, delays, and red tape that discourage investment at a time when our economy can't afford it.

Worryingly, the bill could even create new burdens for employers that offer on-site childcare—a benefit that supports working families—just because of unclear proximity rules to “sensitive uses.” This creates a chilling effect on one of the most community-focused resources businesses can offer.

Oregon should be focused on supporting smart, responsible industrial growth and the businesses that drive opportunity in our communities. HB 3062 moves us in the wrong direction.

Please vote NO on HB 3062 and stand with the communities, workers, and businesses who are working every day to build a better future for Oregon.

Sincerely,  
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