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I could not agree more that changing the 70/30 split, or at least changing the law so that the restricted 70% can also be used for public safety and services impacted by tourism. This is a responsible and fair solution.

Our community should be able to use our tax funds to cover important needs: public safety(Fire, EMS and Law Enforcement) and infrastructure (water, wastewater, transportation, parks, trails, and public amenities). Tillamook County promised the southern portion of the county, a new sheriff, but we never got one. Just recently, a sea lion was stabbed repeatedly on our Neskowin Beach. Another incident, I needed to call for police protection, and it took the sheriff 45 minutes to get to Neskowin. Our community has been left unprotected. It is your, the lawmakers, responsibility to ensure public safety in our state, over doing publicity for hotels.

I support Commissioner Paul and HB 3962 100%

This truly could be a matter of life or death.