

Submitter:

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On Behalf Of:

Committee:

House Committee On Revenue

Measure, Appointment or Topic:

HB4134

Hello Chair Nathanson and members of the committee,

My name is Yeny Hernandez, and I'm proud to manage the housekeeping team at The Bidwell Hotel in Portland. Every day, my team shows up early, works hard, and makes sure guests feel safe and welcome.

We do this because we care about our city—and because this work supports our families. But right now, we're still rebuilding. Guests are coming back, but slowly. If the lodging tax goes up, some of those guests won't come at all. And that means fewer hours for my team. Less income. Less stability.

I'm asking you to think about the people behind the rooms. Raising this tax could take away more than just visitors—it could take away opportunity.

Please vote no on HB 4134. Thank you for listening.