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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Housing and Development

Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB1578

I oppose advancement of SB 1578. It is a pathway to over-developed and over-occupied parcels within rural & frontier counties based on the whims & often corrupt motivations of local counties which are well-connected to state legislators, as well as corrupt legislators themselves. There is no provision for clean drinking water delivery (by well or public delivery system), sewage or waste disposal (septic or public systems), add'l emergency service equipment & personnel within an existing structure fire protection district or ambulance service ASA, and it ignores the state's mandates toward safe drinking water & drinking water source protection. Current state laws & local zoning rules require a minimum of one-third (1/3) acre to facilitate construction of just one single-family dwelling of 960 sq feet, allowing for property line setbacks, private septic system requirements, and req'd unconstructed upon space for backup/replacement septic systems. This poorly drafted bill addresses none of that. Instead it conveys the obvious sense that supportive legislator(s) and/or their cronies have their eyes on a soon to be developed parcel(s) of up to 50 acres should this legislation make it to the Governor's signature. Kill this bill, it reeks of corruption.