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I oppose the state loosening restrictions on how much of Transient Occupancy Tax so Cities can keep vs how much goes to promote tourism. We need more money in budgets to promote tourism in Oregon, not less.

We cannot trust our city staff and city council to support tourism. They take every dollar they can to pay staff wages, to the detriment of Oregon small businesses.

We need the legislature to protect the percentage of TOT funds goto promote tourism, please do not allow cities to raid this budget. We need the promotion we were promised. Otherwise this business model will fail.

Thank you for listening. We own 4 short term rentals in Salem that are barely making any money now. If you allow cities to raid the tourism budget, you are putting these small businesses out of businesses. Please do not support this bill.