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On Behalf Of:

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I am requesting that any legislator that is involved and supports supporting SN 1578 change your mind that sop this Bill from passing. Please rethink your position, not considering how much you personally, Oregon government employees or developers will receive. Being in support of a Bill would authorize rural acres of land zoned agriculture or forest to be changed to residential development is absurd and disturbing that those that are suppose to be complying with existing laws, not violating them. As a simple way of thinking, when a person violates laws, should they not be arrested and charged? Yes. This willingness to not comply with state planning laws really shows that any person behind this bill will do anything— legal or not. Agriculture and farm land are precious resources, precious land that should be preserved. Please, do what is right, make the decision that does not relate to money. Care about Oregon, it's land, and much more. If housing is required, development could be in an appropriately zoned land- where homes and buildings already exist. Are you willing to ruin protected land for a buck? Are you willing to change the overall landscape of Oregon for a buck? My daily morning wishes included that people just care, and that word is very powerful. It means you'll care about what could be lost, care more about something bigger than yourself. Housing where it does not belong must be shut down. I'm certain there are better places to build in the right place; look and you shall find. If citizens are expected to follow laws, that applies to everyone, especially government employees\people.

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