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FIRE DEPARTMENT

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Dear Legislators,

As Fire Chief of Junction City Rural Fire Protection District (JCRFPD) a small rural fire protection agency located in the Willamette Valley it is sometimes difficult to keep up with the increased demands for service that growth brings be it permanent or seasonal. Quite often in our district as in other small districts in Lane, Linn and Benton County we are tasked with providing fire and ems services to the increased population without an increase in funding for the special training or equipment needed to do so. I believe that HB 3455 is a step in the right direction to allow emergency services to have a voice in the growth that directly impacts our ability to provide the high level of services that is expected when an emergency happens.

While HB 3455 will not directly affect JCRFPD I support the agencies that are in need of increased funding to handle the influx of people that our beautiful Oregon beaches and dunes bring to their districts every spring, summer and fall. I highly encourage our state representatives and senators to sponsor HB 3455 that would place EMS and Fire service representatives on the ATV Advisory Committee.

Sincerely

Carl Perry

Chief Junction City Rural Fire Protection District