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The Honorable John Lively
Chair, House Veterans and Emergency Preparedness Committee
900 Court Street NE, H-488
Salem, OR 97301

Dear Representative Lively and Members of the Committee:

Thank you the opportunity to address the Committee today, May 12, 2015. I am George Endicott, Mayor of Redmond and the "local government" representative on the Governor's Task Force on Resilience Plan Implementation.

As I address HB 3447, I would like to point out some details of the recommendations that were discussed at the Task Force. The bill, if passed, calls for the Land Conservation and Development Commission (LCDC) to work with coastal communities to develop strategies to address the impacts of a "Cascadia Event" tsunami on those communities. Furthermore, the Task Force strongly recommended that coastal communities adopt the "L" line from the tsunami inundation maps drawn by DOGAMI.

During our deliberations I recommended that LCDC, working with those affected cities to:

- identify the most likely loss of buildable land associated with the Line "L" on the inundation maps; and
- allow those cities to develop a "just in case" strategy to forego the routine land use process and earmark an Urban Reserve Area that would approximate the projected land loss due to the Cascadia Event.
- Further land use actions for an Urban Growth Boundary and eventual annexation could ensue from that original URA designation.

Many other recommendations can be found in the report presented to the Legislature in September, 2014. As pointed out by Mr. Raskin, there is great concern for infrastructure, to include transportation corridors, utility lines (water, wastewater, natural gas) and critical buildings.

Thank you for the opportunity to offer testimony today.

Very respectfully,

George Endicott
Mayor