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HB 2088 - Request for Amendments

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Chair Barnhart, members of the House Committee on Revenue. I did not get a chance yesterday to ask for a couple of amendments to the -3 and/or -4 amendments.

At the request of assessors we ask that the effective date of this bill be moved to the January 1 2019 assessment date and the 2019-2010 tax year. This will give assessors time to see if there is interest by cities in this process and to address our computer reprogramming issues.

Second, in the -3 and -4 amendments, the city may not adopt or repeal a resolution to change the selection of the city as the CPR area more often than once in five years. Assessors ask that this selection by the city for the CPR as their boundary be permanent. If this is a horizontal inequity correction issue then this should be a permanent correction to resolve the issue, not optional after 5 years. If the city wishes to change their selection, the legislature would need to approve the change.

Third, in the -3 amendment in Section 2. (4)(b)(B) on page 2 line 2 it says the costs that can be reimbursed to a county from the cities may not exceed \$20,000. That number came from my software provider on a short notice estimate. Assessors ask that the <u>actual cost</u> of the computer reprogramming to comply with this bill, whether it is county expense or software company expense, be reimbursed, including Multnomah County if the -4 amendment is selected.

Fourth, as a comment, some of the people this bill is intended to help will be hurt by the bill. Homeowners and property owners in cites with a potentially higher CPR than the county CPR will see higher Maximum Assessed Values for any additions or construction done on existing structures. This will continue the compounding of the horizontal inequity the bill is supposed to correct.

Thank you.

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