

Chair Beyer, members of the committee

I am Jamil Chaudhry-Ahmad.

I live in Hillsboro, Oregon.

I am providing written testimony in support of SB189, as a private citizen.

I support SB189, as it is necessary to ensure proper prioritization of public funds.

Less than 2 years ago, Hillsboro International Airport completed a 3rd runway. I live about 3 miles from the airport. To get to the airport, I must cross a bridge. While that bridge was originally a "two way bridge", it has fallen into disrepair and has now been restricted to 1-way traffic. This same bridge is on the route from my house to my place of employment. Every morning, I must wait on my side of the bridge for the oncoming traffic to pass, so I can proceed to work, to pay my taxes to help subsidize Hillsboro International Airport and its 3rd runway.

It is time to take a hard look at whether airport subsidies could be better spent on other priorities. Please support SB189.

Regards,

Jamil Chaudhry-Ahmad