

HOA meetings should never be held in secret. They should be open and held with complete transparency. Mandatory recording of all HOA meetings and communications should be the norm. Identical to all other government officials. Identical to all court rooms.

My wife and I have suffered life altering fraud and were forced into bankruptcy solely due to the corruption and secrecy of our HOA Board of Directors, their fraudulent attorneys and their fraudulent contractors. If all meetings and actions of the HOA, their attorneys, and their contractors were recorded public record, 14 home owners would not have lost their homes to our HOA's \$2M fraud. Our HOA fought viciously to prevent us from collecting evidence of their fraud. There is possibly no greater financial fraud in America today, in total cost and numbers effected, than HOA fraud. State government should be providing solutions, not providing complicity, to prevent HOA fraud.

Oregon does little to protect home owners from rampant HOA fraud. House Bill 2617 is a simple obvious step in the right direction to begin to bring transparency to HOA abuses of home owner rights.

I support House Bill 2617.

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