March 7, 2019 Senate Committee on Finance and Revenue Chair Haas and Members of the Committee

Travel Lane County is opposed to SB 595 because it breaks the Legislature's promise to the hotel industry, which negotiated a statewide lodging tax in good faith based on reinvestment of local room taxes in destination marketing. Under SB 595, the hotel industry would be penalized for the impact of vacation rentals, which are direct competitors to hotels, for vacation rentals' impact on housing affordability.

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