

From: [Gretchen Hollands](#)
To: [HHS Exhibits](#)
Subject: HB 2001 in support
Date: Wednesday, April 3, 2019 9:57:55 AM

Friends at the House Committee on Human Services and Housing,

I support this bill. Single family housing zones have long been a bastion of white privilege. They are a mechanism that undermines equity in education, jobs and opportunities to build financial security. Here are three personal examples that illustrate my perspective:

I own a duplex in northeast Portland. My insurance agency charges a premium on the home insurance because the area is “red-lined”. The agent used those actual words.

I also own a single family home in the West Hills. The previous owner was the chief tax assessor at Multnomah county and drew a special tax lot around my property so it would enjoy the benefits of being in a good Portland school district, with Portland roads and water but pay no Portland taxes, ever.

I live in a four-plex apartment building on a busy block with no parking which is hassle but that’s ok. We need to re-think our relationship with privately owned vehicles.

The values and priorities that got our culture where it is today are not the ones we need to move forward in a sustainable, equitable manner. I think HB 2001 is a good idea and I encourage you to support it, too.

Gretchen Hollands
503 737-9159