RE: HB 2560 March 3, 2021

Dear House Committee,

I am fully in support of HB 2560.

Years of participation in local and state government meetings have proven to me the need for a wider variety of ways for citizens to make their opinions known to policy makers. HB 2560 will help expand opportunities for direct participation.

It is often difficult for people to travel to meetings due to family or work obligations. People with physical limitations also have a hard time attending meetings in person. Parking fees and the cost of travel can be a significant barrier as well.

For our citizens to have total trust in their government, they need to be fully empowered to easily provide personal input to the wide variety of policy makers who represent them. HB 2560 will help expand opportunities for direct participation.

Please vote yes on HB 2560.

Sincerely, Susan Hansen PO Box 50 Molalla Oregon 97038