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This bill and the -1 amendment are an attempt to work around Oregon's land use law, using the need for housing as wedge. I am in favor of increasing the density of our urban neighborhoods, providing shelter space for the homeless, and continuing to provide affordable housing throughout our cities. But we should not intrude on protected farm and forest land until growing communities take other measures to address the need for housing. Adequate procedures and processes exist already and should be respected, not undermined.