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On Behalf Of:
Committee: House Committee On Rules
Measure: HB3414

I am writing to oppose HB 3414.

HB 3414 undermines the ability of local communities, their elected representatives, and municipal staff to achieve housing, environmental, cultural, and other important policy goals, including those set out by the State of Oregon.

This proposed regulatory relief to property speculators, out-of-state private equity, and developers will also have a disparate impact on low-income neighborhoods and communities, increasing the burdens of climate-change-accelerated heat events, residential displacement, noise pollution and community disruption, environmental contamination, and cultural/historical loss on those individuals and families. Without any guarantee of additional housing units being constructed, let alone the affordability of such housing units to local residents, HB 3414 guarantees harm to our most vulnerable neighbors without guaranteeing positive outcomes.

The housing crisis in Oregon cannot be solved by special treatment for-profit corporations.

Respectfully submitted,

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