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

Committee Members,

I'm writing in opposition to the -17 amendments to HB 3414. These amendments are counterproductive—a solution in search of a problem.

Goal 14 and the state's UGB laws, already provide for a rational means to plan for and allocate land for urban housing, ensure that cities provide the necessary infrastructure and, importantly, prevent unjustified sprawl and the destruction of valuable ag lands.

Nearly $\frac{3}{4}$ of all UGB lands are currently allocated for detached, singly family housing—the most expensive, land-consuming type. Rather than making it easier to expand UGBs outward, we should be encouraging cities to more creatively use their existing housing lands, but incentivizing more compact, affordable forms of residential development, and converting underutilized parking lots and strip mall.

I urge you to oppose the -17 amendments to the bill.

Sincerely,

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