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SB 1051 undermines cities' urban reserve planning processes.

Through thoughtful community-wide processes, local governments have designated urban reserves in many areas, such as around the Portland metro UGB and cities of the Rogue Valley. This bill undermines those public efforts.

The current land use process to expand UGBs works quickly; there is no need to bypass the law.

From 2016 to 2021, Oregon's cities approved 35 UGB expansions – almost all of them completed at the city level, in well under a year, with no appeal (only two were appealed). If cities face a need for any type of housing, the current, comprehensive process works.