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Housing should not be the enemy of climate progress. Let's keep Climate-Friendly & Equitable Communities. Please do not move HB 2659 forward. It is very easy to think that affordable housing is a short-term problem easily fixed by amending our outstanding land use policies. This is magical thinking. Housing crisis exists even in states with few regulations.

Business interests love the idea of weakening our urban growth boundaries. Sprawl is bad for communities and climate. Let's build up and not out.

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