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On Behalf Of: myself

Committee: House Committee On Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, and Water

Measure: HB2659

Chair and Members of the Committee:

Please do not move HB 2659 forward. It clearly will interrupt an excellent climate, equity and housing program.

The Climate-Friendly & Equitable Community (CFEC) program adopted by the Land Conservation and Development Commission (LCDC) will place more affordable and equitable housing choices, served by transportation options, at the center of how Oregon's major cities are planned, built, and funded. The CFEC program is aimed at the state's 8 major urban areas, and helps them tackle both the climate crisis and housing crisis with urgency—and in ways that deliver more equitable outcomes to Oregonians who have faced generations of discriminatory systems and historic barriers to services.

This is a major program helping us in Oregon attempt to meet our share of reduction in green house gas release and accomplish the reduction in a fair way.

HB2659 is a bad bill.

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