

25 April 2023

House Committee on Rules

Re: Senate Bill 661 A

Dear Chair Representative Fahey, Vice-Chairs Representatives Breese-Iverson and members of the Committee:

I am opposed to SB 661A and urge the Committee to table it.

One might think that the title of the bill in itself would be enough to show this is bill is not such a great idea.

How does this bill deal with “conflict of interests”? Are voters simply expected to believe that there won’t be any?

How would having a lobbyist as Chairperson maintain objectivity in discussing a bill?

It isn’t much of a stretch of imagination to understand why a lobbyist may be biased – consciously or unconsciously – in their deliberations on any given bill.

Precisely how is SB 661 A going to benefit Oregonians?

It is puzzling this bill has already gotten this far in the process. Just who precisely will this bill benefit from this legislation?

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Richard Wisner". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Richard Wisner