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On Behalf Of: Oregon Property Owners Association
Committee: Senate Committee On Natural Resources
Measure: HB3362

Chair Golden and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for holding the hearing today on HB 3362A. I re-watched the video of the hearing this morning when I returned to my office and want to address what may be a misconception about the impact of this bill should it pass.

There is nothing in this bill that in any way attempts to interfere with the outcome of the ongoing appeal involving Lane County's revocation of the permits resulting from the false deeds submitted by the lawyer. Any effort to use this bill to interfere in the ongoing appeal would almost certainly create opposition to the bill and, if the bill passed, further litigation from whichever side felt that they were being harmed by the change in the law. As we all testified this morning, this bill is narrowly crafted to avoid opposition, including from any of the parties to the appeal, and the only way to avoid opposition was to ensure that the bill didn't impact anyone's rights in the ongoing appeal.

In short, regardless of the bill's outcome, the litigation will go on unchanged, with no impact to any of the litigants. Passage of the bill will give the Vogels and Johnsons the ability to apply for a permit asking the County to validate their respective parcels regardless of the outcome of the appeal.