



TODAY'S MANUFACTURED HOME BUILT FOR LIVING. BUILT FOR LIFE.

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Co-Chairs Steiner and Sanchez, Co-Vice Chairs Girod, Gomberg, and Smith, and members of the Joint Committee on Ways and Means:

My name is Jody Lyon, and I am the Executive Director for the Oregon Manufactured Housing Association (OMHA).

OMHA represents manufacturers, retailers, transporters, suppliers, communities, and construction companies throughout the state. As one of the naturally affordable homeownership industries, we play a strong role in helping Oregon meet its aggressive and admirable goal of 36,000 new units built annually—but meeting that goal requires Legislative help for prospective homeowners.

HB 2983, the manufactured park funding package, provides grants and loans for the expansion of existing manufactured home parks and the acquisition and creation of new parks.

The manufactured home industry has made great strides in updating our homes regarding construction standards, energy efficiency, and curb appeal. We have also seen an infusion of capital from community owners designated to upgrading and enhancing communities. We believe the investment proposed in HB 2983 will not only provide another option for affordable and attainable homeownership in Oregon but will also be a crucial step in accomplishing our state housing goals.

We ask for your support of manufactured park funding in this session's ending negotiations.

Thank you for your consideration.

Jody Lyon
