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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Rules

Measure: HB3414

Dear House Committee, HB 3414 as broadly written will not achieve Oregon's housing production, equity, or climate goals simply by requiring approval of variances and by creating a new State office. The bill's wording is too broad in its approach, and conflicts with other state requirements for climate-friendly, culturally respectful, healthy communities.

While I am in support of increased availability of entry level and affordable housing, HB 3414 as written only increases the burden on local jurisdictions and adds a new layer of state oversight and expense.

Please provide incentives for cities to innovate in meeting housing goals without looking at mandatory variances as the solution.

Thank you,

Marita Ingalsbe