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On Behalf
Of:

Committee: Joint Committee On Ways and Means Subcommittee On Capital
Construction

Measure: HB5201

Dear Committee Members-

I am writing today in support of funding for the construction of a new stadium for the Hillsboro Hops. Our organization, Scappoose JBO has benefited from the Hillsboro Hops field improvement grants for the past several years. Scappoose JBO is a baseball organization that serves 7th and 8th graders in the Scappoose School district. In Scappoose we have two baseball fields that six teams share. The grants have helped improve the safety and the appearance of our fields, giving the kids pride and confidence in their home field. These improvements would not be possible if it was not for the help from Hillsboro Hops.

Not only has the Hillsboro Hops donated money, but they have also donated wood bats, and helmets to our organization. This equipment went to the kids in our organization that otherwise would not be able to afford these pieces of equipment.

The communities in and around Hillsboro Hops have benefited from their presence with the Hops grant program and the affordable family fun atmosphere they have created that so many people enjoy. If they were to leave it would be a huge hole in our community that will take years to replace (if ever).

When the Hops complete the construction of the new field the community will have two great baseball venues for kids to play and watch baseball. This will open up so many opportunities for our kids and the community to grow the great game of baseball and help the surrounding communities grow even more.

I strongly encourage the support of the Hillsboro Hops Stadium funding.

Thank you.

Steven DuBois

Scappoose JBO President