

Submitter: Graham and Suzanne Matthews  
On Behalf Of: Restore Oregon  
Committee: House Committee On Revenue  
Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3190

We support HB3190. Historic buildings are an invaluable asset to our state. They provide a unique sense of context, give character to our neighborhoods, and are a community resource which cannot easily be replicated so should be protected. Multiple studies substantiate that such buildings, when cared for and repurposed, make economic sense in providing necessary retail and residential spaces. This practice also maintains a greater sense of pride and place, a right all Americans should have and is now more than ever needed. HB3190 will encourage a protection and repurpose of these buildings, which in turn, will facilitate housing and livability opportunities. Thank you.