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Chair Marsh, Vice-Chair Andersen, Vice-Chair Breese-Iverson, and members of the House Committee on Housing and Homelessness, thank you for the opportunity to comment on HB 2400, HB 2422, and HB 2316.

Hello - Rather than make changes like those specified in these bills, I ask you to focus on maintaining the quality of life for Oregonians by continuing to support Senate Bill 100. And what's best for Oregonians of the future is the same: protecting the urban growth boundaries.

We can see from looking at Montana what happens when the über-rich declare their next trophy is rural land. As humans continue to alter the earth's climate, there is a real possibility Oregon may be among the last agrarian states, neither too hot nor too polluted to grow grains. Without grains humans can't survive.

Ask the advocates for these bills to encourage rich people to relocate to downtown Portland where we need people, who can afford to buy a high rise building. Sell them big spaces ... just vertical spaces instead of the wide open spaces.

Thanks for your consideration.

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