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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Housing and Homelessness

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2316

Dear Chair Marsh, Vice-Chair Andersen, Vice-Chair Breese-Iverson, and members of the House Committee on Housing and Homelessness,

Thank you for the chance to comment on HB 2316. I am writing to urge you to vote against this bill. We should look at surplus public lands inside UGBs for housing development, where people can walk to school, see their neighborhood doctor, pick up produce from the corner grocer, and live within a thriving community. Lands outside our cities and towns will require significant infrastructure costs to become viable for building homes, and this bill would unnecessarily burden the state with those costs, before housing is even built. There are smarter, more affordable ways to build housing.

Thank you for considering my comments and allowing this opportunity for public input.