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DATE: February 12, 2025  
TO: Senate Committee on Finance and Revenue  
FROM: Vanessa Cornwall, Lane County Intergovernmental Relations Officer  
RE: SB 99, Relating to Property Tax Incentive Benefit Programs for Brownfields

Dear Chair Meek, Co-Chair McLane, and Members of the Committee:

Lane County supports SB 99, extending the property tax exemption sunset date for brownfield remediation. Addressing and removing environmental contamination is in the public's interest. Strategic incentives, such as this exemption, encourages cleanup efforts, fostering redevelopment and business investment in properties that might otherwise be overlooked.

Lane County is interested in facilitating investment in brownfield redevelopment and appreciates the opportunity to explore optional avenues in statute implementation, ensuring property owners can have access to this valuable resource. The short-term County revenue impact of abating property tax used to pay for brownfield remediation would be greatly surpassed by the increase of new property tax revenue as the remediated properties are improved and invested upon.

Through this effort, Lane County can make significant progress in revitalizing brownfield sites, turning potential liabilities into valuable community assets.

ELECTRONICALLY SUBMITTED BY VANESSA CORNWALL, LANE COUNTY  
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