



**Testimony in Opposition to HB 3062  
Eugene Area Chamber of Commerce  
House Committee on Economic Development and Small Business**

Chair Tran, Vice Chairs Grayber, and Lewis, and members of the committee,

My name is **Tiffany Edwards**, and I serve as the Vice President of Policy & Community Development at the **Eugene Area Chamber of Commerce**. On behalf of our organization and the thousands of businesses and workers we represent, I am here today to share **serious concerns over HB 3062**.

Our Chamber and our economic development division known as **ONWARD Eugene**, is **deeply engaged** in recruiting businesses and working with our regional partners to support business expansion—efforts that bring **jobs, economic growth, and vital tax revenues** to our city and state. Unfortunately, HB 3062 threatens this progress.

First, this bill **jeopardizes the economic future of our community**. The City of Eugene has requested **\$10.5 million** to fund infrastructure for the **Clear Lake industrial area**, a site primed for development. This investment is critical to attracting and retaining businesses that create high-quality jobs and generate essential tax revenues. This bill would **undermine the viability of this industrial expansion**, limiting economic opportunities for local businesses and workers.

Second, this bill **misuses land use and zoning codes** as a regulatory tool for business operations. Let's be clear: the industries this bill targets are **already subject to rigorous environmental regulations** and maintain **high compliance standards**. Instead of providing clarity or environmental benefits, HB 3062 **introduces uncertainty and unnecessary obstacles**, making it more difficult for businesses to operate efficiently in Oregon.

Finally, **this bill sends the wrong message about Oregon's business climate**. It signals to companies—both current and prospective—that our state is not open for business. This will have **real economic consequences**—lost jobs, lost investment, and declining tax revenues that fund essential public services. In a time when we need to strengthen our economy, HB 3062 does the opposite.

We urge you to **reject HB 3062** and its significant consequences and support your communities by championing policies that promote economic growth, job creation, and responsible business expansion.

**Thank you for your time and consideration.**