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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Emergency Management, General
Government, and Veterans

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2995

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Subject: Strong Opposition to House Bill 2995

To Whom It May Concern,

Please accept this letter as a formal expression of my strong opposition to House Bill 2995.

I am deeply concerned about the implications of this bill and the potential burden it places on Oregonians today. My understanding of Oregon's history leads me to believe that this bill is unnecessary. Oregon became a state in 1859, and as I understand it, slavery was prohibited in its foundational documents. Oregon has never legally permitted the owning of enslaved people.

Therefore, I do not believe it is appropriate to impose a financial burden on current residents in what appears to be an act of moral signaling. While I understand the importance of addressing historical injustices, I firmly believe this bill is not the correct approach.

I urge you to carefully reconsider your support for House Bill 2995 and consider the impact it will have on Oregonians.

Sincerely,

Mike Harley