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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Housing and Homelessness

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3644

Legislators,

I recently reviewed the IRS records of agencies (NGOs) currently receiving funds from Oregon for homelessness. Of those NGOs, one has never filed taxes for three years, Church at the Park, and will be defunct, yet Oregon just gave them over \$8M and Tina Kotek praised them publicly. I view this organization as a money laundering scheme for self remuneration and tax evasion, given their address is a vacant parking lot. The United Way, via USAID NGO, paid for years by Oregon, has not filed taxes since 2022, along with one other NGO on the 2024 housing payee list. The other NGOs receiving funds in 2024 use the funds primarily for salary and overhead, very little to projects. No reports of accomplishments is available.

This bill appears as a scheme to provide individual salary wealth to NGO board members without actual results or oversight, as IRS public data shows. Current status of money already given to NGOs by Gov Tina Kotek is not managed, there is no accountability for its use and it is wasteful.

Oregon is receiving no federal money due to Gov Kotek's ideology programs. Until Oregon ends its' path towards bankruptcy, no money should be spent on additional programs while existing budget constraints exist. Resolve where funds are coming from due to lack of Federal funding first. Taxpayers do not have never ending funds for irresponsible, unaccountable, self-profiteering programs

Sincerely,  
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