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I am writing in SUPPORT of HB 3172. In this time of our quickly changing climate which is leading to more frequent and more severe wildfires, we need to leverage every possible prevention tool that we have at our disposal. Given the state of our federal government and the likelihood that they will not be as much of a support to states as they have in the past makes this bill even more urgent. Protecting communities from wildfire through hardening homes and structures is a proven way to mitigate losses, whereas other things like tree thinning is not only NOT effective, if often leads to worse scenarios. Let's listen to the experts, and spend the time and money to implement this bill. We will not be getting many more chances to get this right.