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As a local home builder based in Oregon, I strongly support SB 974-1. Permitting is one of the most time-consuming steps to building a home. From the time we get a customer who wants to build a home to the time it takes to get an approved building permit in hand can take anywhere from a couple of months to almost a year, depending on the jurisdiction. I expect SB 974-1 will help to speed up the permit process and make building homes easier. I also strongly support the amendments that remove unnecessary design reviews.

I would urge the senate to support similar proposals that aim to reduce bureaucracy and improve timelines for permit review in other departments, not only the review for land use applications.

Thank you.