



MULTIFAMILY NW
The Association Promoting Quality Rental Housing

Oregon Senate Committee on Housing and Development
900 Court St. NE
Salem Oregon 97301

RE: Support for SB 1103

March 7, 2025

Chair Pham, Vice Chair Anderson and Members of the Committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony in support of SB 1103 on behalf of Multifamily NW. This bill requires the Oregon Business Development Department (Business Oregon) to establish a loan program for cities and tribes to develop infrastructure supporting housing in climate-friendly areas. It also creates the Climate-Friendly Housing Infrastructure Revolving Fund and continuously appropriates funds to implement the program.

Multifamily NW is the largest association of housing providers in the state, representing nearly 300,000 units and every profession related to the industry — from property managers and owners to landscapers, maintenance professionals and screening companies. Our top priority is to collaborate with public sector leaders to identify and implement proven solutions to Oregon's ongoing housing crisis.

Oregon faces both a housing crisis and the urgent need to address climate change. SB 1103 offers a strategic approach by directing resources toward infrastructure that enables sustainable, transit-oriented, and resilient housing development. By providing funding to cities and tribes, this bill ensures that communities have the necessary infrastructure — such as roads, water systems, and public utilities — to support new housing in designated climate-friendly areas.

This investment will accelerate housing production, reduce sprawl, and create more equitable, accessible communities. SB 1103 is a forward-thinking solution that aligns housing development with Oregon's climate goals. On behalf of Multifamily NW, we urge you to support this bill and take a critical step toward sustainable housing growth.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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