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House Committee on Housing and Homelessness 900 Court Street NE Salem, Oregon 97301

## RE: HB 3545 – Support for -1 Amendments and Bill as Amended

Chair Marsh, Vice-Chairs Breese-Iverson and Andersen, and Committee Members,

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony regarding House Bill 3545, which exempts property that has been deeded to a county for unpaid taxes from the association fees charged on a home or condominium for no more than six months.

Multnomah County supports HB 3545 because it provides a more efficient method for moving a property through the foreclosure process and to ultimately sell the property to a new owner. We support the -1 amendments that will provide more flexibility to counties as they work with foreclosed properties that are part of a homeowners association, as well as the base bill concept which will help counties save time and money that can be distributed to local taxing districts.

Multnomah County respectfully requests your support of HB 3545 with the proposed amendments.

Sincerely,

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