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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3556

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Oregon State Legislature

House Committee on Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans

900 Court Street, NE

Salem, OR 97301

RE: Oppose HB-3556

Dear House Committee on Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans:

HB-3556 seeks to change existing state statutes as to the uses of transient lodging taxes (TLTs). These taxes are intended to fund tourism promotion and the development of tourism-related facilities, which enhances the businesses that are collecting the taxes from our guests. Raising these taxes risks making our hotels less competitive by increasing guest costs and using the revenue for other uses takes away from the business we are all in, attracting guests to Oregon.

For these reasons, I strongly oppose HB-3556.

Respectfully submitted,