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Re: Testimony in Support of House Bill 3175

Dear Chair Manning, Vice-Chair Thatcher, and Senators Meek, Brock Smith, and Woods:

The Oregon Association of County Clerks (OACC) would like to share our support of House Bill 3175. The Oregon Association of County Clerks (OACC) represents County Clerk & Election Officials in 36 counties across the state.

HB 3175 would remove the \$10 cap on the public land corner preservation fee from statute, allowing local governments to raise the fee as needed and supported by their residents.

The public land corner preservation fee will not have to be the same in every county, but with this bill could be increased in places of need. We support the concept of county governments having the authority to increase these fees on document recording based on service needs for their particular county.

There are ordinances in place in counties to allow for fee increases when needed. They have to have public notices and hearings, as well as, follow state and local law before any fee increases can take place.

There may need to be a cap in place to help keep recording fees acceptable for banks and title companies.

Please move HB 3175 forward to help address the funding concerns faced by the county land surveyors across Oregon.

Thank you for your consideration. Please reach out for further information or questions.

Sincerely,

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