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I am disappointed, but unfortunately not surprised, to learn that elected officials are sneakily attempting to bypass public policy regarding land use and development.

I am a homeowner in the Charter Oaks area, and I am neutral on the issue of the proposed Urban Growth Swap. However, as a citizen of Oregon that you represent, I find this proposed bill is yet another example of legislative hypocrisy. What use is all of the detailed policy that has governed land use and development for decades, if a few elected officials can just run roughshod over said policy when it suits their whims? This end-around political ploy reeks of corruption.

Please do not further tarnish your position by voting for this legislative abuse of power. This bill should be withdrawn and instead allow the City, County, and good citizens of the area to follow the established policy governing the issue of UGB and work it out in the prescribed manner.