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I support HB 3190. Our state has had rules and regulations for decades to preserve historic buildings and land marks, but later Oregon decided it was up to the city government to decide if they wish to comply.

SHPO is not given authority to enforce regulations. Some cities like mine seem proud to not have any historic buildings though their comprehensive plans since the 1980s, state they have 4 historic properties that are on their overlay. There is no overlay. When asking the state for assistance on any maps the state may have on historic properties, one was found with three of four properties on a city map. Not an overlay map.

When we asked the state level land commission regarding the discrepancies they stood by the City and said whatever the city wants is what the decision will be. The records seem to be lost. Lost or strategically removed to change the past. Gross mismanagement of public records. Our historic places are important to our past, present and future. A historic overlay has been listed, the comprehensive plan has been in place for 4 decades listing 4 historic buildings. The comprehensive plan was also updated with the same 4 historic properties. How can the state land use decide that since the minutes and overlay are missing the historic sights do not exist. Shameful, for Banks and disappointment in Oregon.

I support this HB as it may assist to save a few historic buildings. I feel our previous laws on historic preservation need to be enforced, and that no city should be able to decide not to have historic landmarks.

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