

Submitter: Erin Skaar

On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Committee On Ways and Means Subcommittee On
Capital Construction

Measure, Appointment or SB5531
Topic:

RE: Support for SB 5531 & Tillamook Bay Commons

Dear Co-Chairs and Members of the Committee,

My name is Erin Skaar and I am a Tillamook County Commissioner. I am writing to express my strong support for the workforce housing (WFH) project in Tillamook, known as Tillamook Bay Commons. Funding from bill SB 5531 will enable the construction of this WFH project, providing housing for healthcare workers, educators, and other essential Tillamook County employees in my community.

As a leader in Tillamook County, I believe this bill is a critical step toward addressing the lack of housing options for our workforce in Tillamook County. This project has been awarded grant funding from the Tillamook County Housing Solutions Fund to serve as a catalyst to bring this vitally needed housing to fruition. The \$6.3 million in grant funding needed to complete this fully pre-leased WFH project is essential to the health and livelihood of our community.

I urge the legislature to pass SB 5531 and to take a stand for obtainable, workforce housing. Thank you for your attention and service to our state. I am hopeful you will support this important piece of legislation.

Sincerely,

Erin Skaar, Tillamook County Commissioner