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House Committee on Rules

Re: House Bill 2006

Dear Chair Representative Bowman, Vice-Chairs Representatives Drazan and Pham and members of the Committee:

Yes, I am in favor of passing HB 2006. For years I've voiced my concern about the number of bills being pushed through any legislative session to my district representative. Then, reading a number of Oregon politician's news letters, hear them talk about how hard they're working and how many bills there are and the rush to pass as many as possible. I believe they call it "the people's work".

It is obvious there is not enough time given on any bill to vet it properly. Similarly there is not enough time to hear all those who wish to testify to do so, yet we are told "our voices matter". It would not surprise me if most of the information the politicians receive are from all those "special" committees that are formed to study this or that, which to me does not bode well for getting much of an unbiased report back from them.

Can anyone provide some actual evidence that passing hundreds and hundreds of new laws every damn year – which seems to be happening on regular basis – is actually improving the average Oregonian's life? If so, then why are the news outlets full of wailing and gnashing of teeth? Oregon has been at this statehood thing for quite a while now. Politicians need to remember that everything that goes on does not need to be addressed by them.

Maybe... House Bill 2006 is at least a step in the right direction to staunch this flow of law after law after law, year after year. Who'd have thought that adult citizens would need so much tending to when our state was formed. We're adults. Leave us alone.

Thank you,  
Richard Wisner