

Submitter: Mike Herron

On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Rules

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2977

Chair Jama and Members of the Committee:

On behalf of VIP's Industries and our over 200 hospitality employees working in Oregon, we urge you to vote no on HB 2977. It's hard enough for Oregon tourism and hospitality businesses to compete against other destination states without the self-inflicted wounds the Oregon legislature insists on delivering to the business community session after session. To think that Portland's TLT rates would exceed the likes of San Francisco and become the highest rate on the west coast is unconscionable. And all to increase funding for an unrelated department whose own constituents have refused to pay for the increases themselves.

Do better. Vote NO on HB 2977.

Thank you.

Mike Herron