

Submitter: Adam Sunshine

On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Housing and Homelessness

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB4113

Chair Marsh, Vice-Chairs Breese Iverson and Andersen, and Committee members:

I am writing today to ask you to oppose HB 4113.

I am an Oregonian who works directly with our local food system and agricultural community. I currently work at a farmers' market manager, and I hope one day to have a farm of my own here in Oregon. Like many aspiring farmers, my ability to stay rooted in this state depends on thoughtful land use policies that protect farmland, support rural economies, and balance growth with long-term stewardship.

Oregon's land use system is one of the reasons I have chosen to build my life and career here. It helps keep our land productive, our communities vibrant, and our agricultural economy accessible to the next generation. Weakening that system makes it harder for people like me -- who are committed to working the land, feeding our communities, and contributing to local economies -- to see a future for ourselves in agriculture.

HB 4113 would benefit one private stakeholder at the expense of the land use principles that serve the broader public good. With so many pressing issues facing our state, I urge you to uphold Oregon's long-standing land use values and reject this bill.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,
Adam Sunshine