

Submitter: Margaret Collins
On Behalf Of: Myself
Committee: Senate Committee On Housing and Development
Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB1578

This bill does not consider the many ways it ignores our state's Planning goals initiated through SB100, passed in 1973. Urban density housing is meant to be placed within an Urban Growth Boundary where adequate infrastructure can be extended, not in piecemeal fashion "outside" areas which could be exorbitantly expensive to service. Affordable housing throughout the state is a meritorious goal and it, too, is included as a planning goal for our state. Most land use plans allow for increasing urban density in cities and areas within UGBs that can be serviced more easily. While this issue is complex, the solution is not to bypass statewide land use planning requirements. Please consider this as you deliberate. And thank you for the opportunity to voice my opinion.