

Submitter: Hetal Patel

On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Revenue

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB4148

Members of the Committee,

My name is Hetal Patel. I own Regency Inn in Eugene. It's a small independent motel. We are not a big chain and we don't have corporate support behind us.

I'm writing to oppose House Bill 4134.

Running a small motel is already very difficult. Costs keep going up for insurance, utilities, property taxes, and repairs. We are still trying to recover from the last few tough years. Every time there is a new tax, it adds more cost and paperwork.

Big hotel chains may be able to handle new rules and extra costs. Small motels cannot. We operate on thin margins. If our costs go up, we have very limited options. We either raise room rates, cut back on maintenance, reduce staff hours, or struggle to stay open.

Small motels like mine provide affordable lodging in Eugene. We serve working people, traveling families, and people who need a basic, clean place to stay. If bills like this make it harder for small businesses to operate, fewer affordable options will remain.

I understand that lawmakers are trying to address concerns, but this bill will have real impacts on small, family-owned businesses like mine.

Please consider how this affects small operators and vote no on HB 4134.

Thank you for your time.

Hetal Patel  
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