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Bills in legislative sessions, especially land use bills, are rarely simple and straightforward, and their legislation can be deceptive and confusing. Therefore, while many legislators may feel that any limitation on the bills they can put forward would be unfair to their constituents, our legislative experience makes the stronger case that not restricting the number of bills a legislator can introduce is unfair to any individual bill and the public because there is not sufficient time for proper scrutiny of its purpose, potential impacts and possible misinformation and disinformation. Moreover, too often those who've come, many from long distances, to testify and who can provide valuable information and insight are cut short because there are simply too many bills on the table.

Therefore, though it is only a baby step weakened by too many exceptions, LandWatch Lane County, the non-profit I head, supports HB 4002, and we respectfully ask that you do so as well.

Thank you.

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LandWatch Lane County