

Submitter: Wesley T. Ward  
On Behalf Of:  
Committee: Senate Committee On Finance and Revenue  
Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB1586

Honorable Members:

Please vote against this bill and any further amendments. This is not what a short session of the Legislature is meant for. The ordinary process should be followed for such site-by-site changes in specific parcels. I am very disappointed in the vote by the Metro Council, and I will not be voting for any members who favored this amendment. I moved to Oregon from Massachusetts nearly ten years ago, in part because of Oregon's land use laws, which have saved much of the state's farmland, which is such an important part of this state's appeal and its economy. This proposed amendment should be rejected. Aside from the agricultural value of this site, this amendment would set a precedent for similar attempts across the state to erode the state's land-use law.