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I support HB4136, so that more Oregonians can reach the goal of owning their own home. This bill presents one small step toward making our tax system more equitable, ending the giveaway of tax dollars in Oregon for mortgage interest deductions for vacation homes. What we need to prioritize as a state are resources for first-time home buyers, not vacation homes. We know the benefits of homeownership on family stability, health, and generational wealth. The dream to own a home is unattainable for far too many Oregonians. I have experienced first hand the benefits of owning my own home and raising my kids in a stable, healthy environment, and I believe that more Oregonians deserve to have that same opportunity.