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Request for Amendment for SB 998

Senate Committee on Housing and Development

Dear Chair Jama, Vice-Chair Anderson and members of the Committee:

My name is Anna Braun with Braun Law LLC and I represent the Oregon Home Builders Association.

The Home Builders are requesting an amendment to SB 998. As this committee looks for opportunities to increase housing supply, the Homebuilders offer this concept:

**Add to ORS 223.301:**

For new residential dwelling units constructed after the adoption of this 2023 Act, a local government may not collect a system development charge for a residential dwelling unit prior to issuance of a certificate of occupancy by a local authority.

The timing of the collection of SDCs makes all the difference for whether a housing project will make sense to build. Allowing the fees to be collected at the certificate if occupancy or after will make it so more houses will be built.

The fees will still be paid by the homebuilder, not the homeowner.

Thank you.

Anna Braun