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On Behalf Of:
Committee: Senate Committee On Housing and Development
Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2964

To members of the Senate Committee on Housing & Development,

I am a member of First Unitarian Church of Portland and the Leaven Community Land & Housing Coalition. I am writing to urge your committee to support HB 2964 which would offer loans for pre-development costs for faith communities and non-profits who wish to build affordable housing on property they own. One of the key principles of my Unitarian faith is the worth and dignity of all beings. The severe housing crisis in our community prevents many, many community members from being able to live in dignity. We need to open as many doors as possible to provide more permanent housing in our community!

PLEASE SUPPORT HB 2964