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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Rules

Measure: HB3414

As written, this bill will be disastrous for our community, along with all neighborhoods undergoing development. Wealthy, established neighborhoods will not experience the negative impacts of setting aside regulations that protect trees, setbacks, and require bicycle parking. This bill goes against all planning for climate resilience, there are no requirements that the housing built is affordable or provides public benefit.

Please strike section 2 and refer it to a joint committee for additional work. It's just not ready for passage in 2023.

Yes, we are in a housing crisis, but the people who will be living in the new housing deserve trees (protection from extreme heat), bike parking, and healthy neighborhoods.

Keep on trying -- this is important work, but let's not torpedo Oregon's hard-won land-use laws.