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Yet another bill to address the "housing crisis" ?- What about the jobs crisis? In case you aren't aware, Oregon's unemployment rate climbed from 3.6% to 5.2% after Intel cut over 5,000 jobs, impacting 30,000 indirect jobs. It appears the anti-government organization behind this bill is unconcerned about high unemployment and job losses state-wide.

This proposed landuse bill proposes to eliminate from any land use review requests for replacement dwellings following "natural disasters", disasters that humans often knowingly put themselves in the way of, for views, for proximity to wildlife, for development they believe will increase their financial wealth, etc. The short session is not the place for land use bills. OPOA and their relentless anti-government bills always claim 'their people' are under attack. Every session. And they are not the ones litigating their bills in Courts after legislative counsel attempts to amend the statutory laws that such legislation affects. Do a LUBA search - see for yourself.

Also, if you use Google Lens to find the origin of the photos of burning homes and sad children and new single family homes, you will find that none are from Oregon.

There is no replacement dwelling crisis - and no statistics or other factual data have ever been presented to show that there is.

Please do not vote this land use bill out of Committee. It does not belong in the short session.

Thank you.