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I am on the Planning Commission for the City of Cannon Beach. I strongly support HB 3556 which would give tourism-driven cities like Cannon Beach much needed flexibility on how it spends TLT dollars. Tourism accounts for the majority of our City's costs and the lion's share of the revenue. The compartmentalization of allowed uses is burdensome and unfair to Cannon Beach in that its costs are diverse relative to tourism but the uses of the TLT dollars are highly restricted. The HB 3556 would make the job of managing a tourism centric town like Cannon Beach more equitable. We do not need more marketing in Cannon Beach, but we do need funds to keep up with the overflow of tourists who create most of the strain on our infrastructure.

Disclaimer. I make these comments only as a citizen and voter of Cannon Beach, not as a member of the City's Planning Commission