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On Behalf Of: all rural citizens
Committee: House Committee On Climate, Energy, and Environment
Measure, Appointment or SB75
Topic:

I oppose this measure.

It is clear that the once again as every year comes around, the wildfire map measure will come around again.

There is no need to pass SB 75. HB 3944, SB 768, SB 83 were repealed -- with bipartisan support, recognizing the disaster it brought upon citizens in the areas. DESPITE the wildfires that nearly overtook Salem, Tillamook, Bandon, Portland (including loss of life), the entire Willamette, and Eugene. Portland lost a great deal of the Multnomah Falls region. It was intentional. As was the Central Point fires that took multiple lives and destroyed entire swaths of neighborhoods in 2020 - despite a very rare fire in Ashland which by all accounts SHOULD HAVE by laws of nature, burned to the ground.

I STRONGLY OPPOSE SB 75. HB 3944, SB 83, and SB 678 all repeal the the "statewide wildfire hazard map" through bi-partisan efforts. There is ABSOLUTELY NO NEED to add to ORS 215.495 this language because a full repeal of the Wildfire Hazard Map is in place (unless of course Sen Golden etc) determine to breathe fire on it next session. Any new regulations regarding the approval or siting of dwellings ARE null and void.

The bill has no force, teeth or effect with the full repeal of the Wildfire Hazard Map. Please remove this bill from the agenda.