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On Behalf Of:
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Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB1094

Chair & Committee Members,

On the surface (summary text) of this bill, it sounds wonderful, HOWEVER, leaning into the actual text of the bill it is very difficult to understand. As I understand it, it really only effects a few hundred people because of all the technicalities.

I am wondering why this legislation cannot be straight forward and help those in this State like the military (active AND veteran), along with the SENIOR Citizens in this state. I have seen good straight forward bills come forth this session and am wondering WHY they did not proceed and what the majority party seems to have against these citizens in this state who typically are low-income and could use a little help given the economy we live in right now in this state and choose to advance a bill that is difficult to understand and only effects a few hundred people?

I keep seeing TAX bills advancing and rules being suspended to alleviate public engagement and bills such as SB 83 (repeal of wildfire map) being held hostage in the Rules committee and not advancing to a floor to vote that helps many Oregonians.... and yet absolutely nothing to help our seniors, veterans or active duty military. I remain neutral on this bill only because it is a weak bill with difficult language that is susceptible to loopholes and misinterpretation PLUS it does not go far enough.

I encourage this legislation to listen to the people of this state and start being more responsible with our tax dollars and give credits where they are needed like our seniors, veterans and active duty citizens. ENOUGH IS ENOUGH! STOP PLAYING GAMES WITH OUR TAX \$\$ AND BE FISCALLY RESPONSIBLE AND CUT THE WASTE AND CREATE LEGISLATION THAT REALLY HELPS OREGONIANS. Listen to the People. That's what you were voted into office to do, not cut the people out of what you are doing by changing the rules.

I personally would VOTE NO on this bill because of these reasons alone.