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Oregon State Legislature
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Dear Representatives,

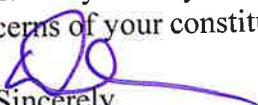
I am writing to express my strong opposition to Oregon House Bill 3556. As a concerned constituent and an advocate for responsible policymaking, I believe that this bill would have serious unintended consequences and does not serve the best interests of our state.

First, using the funds for public safety and/or other underfunded city endeavors would reduce the amount of revenue to our local DMO's and Tourism marketing organizations. The passage of such a measure would only offer a short-term solution to never ending financial concerns many cities are facing today. Tourism is an economic driver for many of these communities and there are few other options available. Passing this bill would make it more difficult to bring visitors into our cities and damaging our economy even more and for the long term. Tourism is a long-term solution we need to invest for the future of our communities and cities for economic vitality and health.

Furthermore, I am concerned that this bill fails to adequately address potential economic impacts, ethical concerns, or possible legal challenges. It overlooks the broader implications such as the financial impact on individuals or businesses, or its impact on a certain community. Oregon residents deserve a policy that promotes long-term growth, equity, and sustainability, which this bill does not offer. Tourism is a long term and sustainable economic growth mechanism.

I urge you to reconsider supporting this bill and to explore alternative measures that would address the intended goals without the harmful consequences this legislation may bring. It is critical that we advocate for policies that reflect the diverse needs of all Oregonians, rather than ones that risk deepening divisions or creating unnecessary challenges for our communities.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter. I trust that you will carefully weigh the concerns of your constituents before making a final decision on this bill.


Sincerely,
Doug Bradley