

Submitter: Virginia Herndon

On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Rules

Measure: HB3414

I heartily oppose HB3414. Ostensibly a bill to increase housing this overly general bill -- a by-right adjustment -- will not increase the overall supply of housing, housing affordability, nor increase housing choice – there is no requirement in the bill that the adjustment be tied to the production of additional housing that would otherwise be allowed.

Imagine the public outcry when it is learned that HB 3414 authorized variances can occur WITH NO PUBLIC NOTICE and NO WAY TO APPEAL UNLESS YOU HAPPEN TO BE A DEVELOPER. We need to safeguard historic protections and design regulations. Statewide protections, design regulations and local review will be virtually eliminated if this bill is pushed through.

Vote "No" on this bill.

--Virginia Herndon --