

Joint Statement From the House Republican Office Senate Republican Office

For Immediate Release

Friday, July 17, 2020

Contact: Tayleranne Gillespie, 541-554-6631

Email: <u>tayleranne.gillespie@oregonlegislature.gov</u>

Contact: Kate Gillem, 503-931-4529

Email: kate.gillem@oregonlegislature.gov

Drazan, Girod Urge Governor to Decouple Clackamas County from Washington and Multnomah

Salem, ORE. – Today, House Republican Leader Christine Drazan (R-Canby) and Senate Republican Leader Fred Girod (R-Stayton) urged Governor Brown to reconsider her decision to tie Clackamas County to Washington and Multnomah Counties in reopening decisions. They have released the following statements:

"Coupling Clackamas County with the two most urban and densely populated counties in Oregon is unwarranted and unnecessarily burdens our local communities and businesses who are already struggling during this economic downturn. The county commissioners have asked for this policy to be reconsidered, and today we echo their plea," said Drazan.

"Rural Clackamas County shouldn't have to pay the price for the damages caused by violent anarchists in downtown Portland," said Senator Girod. "The actions of the larger tri-county area do not represent the Oregonians in the rural part of the county, and the Governor needs to acknowledge this difference."

Drazan and Girod each represent Clackamas County in the Legislature.

###