

Secretary: Vote explanation. Sen Boquist.

“HB 4204A is a mortgage bill relating to foreclosures as a backstop to one of the Governor’s political pandemic executive orders along with federal actions. The Oregon Supreme Court has ruled the Governor has complete power within her existing authority to rule the State with an iron fist as legislator and enforcer until such time the supermajority Democrats vote to end her executive orders. This includes allowing the Governor to ignore this bill, or any other bill passed in the emergency session. The bill is not required. Any position of the Attorney General stated by the Carrier on the Floor is utterly worthless to a separate constitutional branch of the government. The statutorily created Attorney General in advance is declaring she opposes the federal government’s legal position on this matter yet has no federal court ruling let alone even a court filing. It is inappropriate for the Legislature to get involved at this time. Further, members of the public who wished to testify in hearings were blatantly denied that opportunity by the supermajority Co-Chairs of the special session committee. A direct open violation of the Oregon Constitution by the supermajority Democrats. Voted No.”