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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Office of the Chief Clerk of the House
900 Court Street NE, H-271
Salem, OR 97031

Dear Chief Clerk Sekerak,

I am writing to submit an explanation for my vote on House Bill 4012.

I have participated in an ongoing workgroup in which my colleagues and I, along with stakeholders from Central Oregon, have attempted to resolve an ongoing issue that stands to impact land use and housing policies in the Bend area. House Bill 4012 essentially represents a placeholder for the eventual resolution of that issue.

While I am excited about the prospects of the still-evolving plan, it has not yet reached a point where I can in good conscience support it. My reservations are a matter of process, not substance: I think the intricacy of the proposed bill and the details that have yet to be worked out merit a longer conversation than we had time to have. In other words, the bill was not yet ripe for a vote on the House floor. Now that it has passed through the House, though, I am optimistic that forthcoming amendments in the Senate will result in a final product that addresses all of the questions that the current iteration of the bill fails to answer.

If the Senate is able to finalize the bill, I look forward to supporting it during the conference process.

My Best,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Anna Williams", written in a cursive style.

Anna Williams
State Representative, House District 52

