

PROCLAMATION

Opposition To Senate Bill 1530

February 13, 2020

WHEREAS, The Douglas County Board of Commissioners represents an estimated 109,405 people; and

WHEREAS, Douglas County provides a wide range of critically needed services to its residents including roads, parks, senior services, juvenile services and public safety; and

WHEREAS, The residents of Douglas County have suffered from years of the impacts from wildfire smoke from the mismanaged public lands in and around our County, which has and continues to significantly impact our economy; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 1530 will directly impact the cost to Douglas County and the residents of Douglas County in significant increases in the cost to provide services through increased utility costs and increased costs in fuel related to providing those critically needed services; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 1530's impacts through increases in utility costs and fuel costs will further burden the residents of Douglas County who are already burdened by the increasing costs of living in our communities through higher rents, increasing costs to purchase a home, and additional tax burdens placed on them by the State of Oregon; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 1530's impacts through increases in utility costs and fuel costs will significantly hamper the ability of the residents of Douglas County to attempt to recover from the economic devastation caused by the wildfire smoke; and

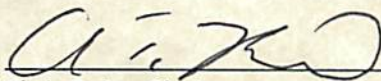
WHEREAS, Any benefits derived through Senate Bill 1530, many of which are in dispute, do not justify the penalties and costs imposed by the Bill.

Now, therefore,

The Chair of the Board of County Commissioners of Douglas County PROCLAIMS:

Douglas County, Oregon is opposed to Senate Bill 1530 of the 80th Oregon Legislative Assembly which will have punitive impacts on Douglas County and the citizens of Douglas County.

DATED this 13th day of February, 2020



Chris Boice, Chair

