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Formed in 2000, CAI's Oregon Legislative Action Committee (OR LAC) is a diverse group of homeowner leaders, community managers, and representatives from community association business partners provides perspective on how proposed legislation could impact the approximately 585,000 Oregonians who live in 240,000 homes in more than 4,000 community associations. OR LAC monitors state legislation, educates lawmakers, and protects the interests of those living and working in community associations.

We need your help to continue this work. Your donation makes our legislative advocacy and outreach efforts possible and helps us ensure that community associations remain preferred places to live and work.

Key 2026 Legislative Successes - SB 1551



SB 1551 - Relating To Fire Hardening Of Residential Properties; And Prescribing An Effective Date

OR LAC **supported** this legislation after **successfully proposing amendment language that was incorporated by the bill author**. As originally drafted, the bill raised concerns related to implementation and unintended consequences, most notably through the inclusion of a rigid numeric cost threshold that would have required volunteer boards to make construction pricing determinations they are not equipped to perform.

OR LAC supported the bill's intended purpose of encouraging wildfire mitigation and ensuring homeowners are not unreasonably blocked from installing fire-hardened building materials. Fire hardening is critically important for public safety, community resilience, and long-term housing stability, particularly in wildfire-prone regions of the state.

OR LAC offered an amendment to mitigate these problems, testifying during a committee hearing. The amendment **successfully** offered by OR LAC appropriately resolves these concerns by:

- Removing the arbitrary percentage-based cost limitation;
- Allowing associations to consider cost as part of a reasonableness analysis rather than as a fixed statutory mandate;
- Preserving homeowner access to compliant fire-hardened materials; and
- Maintaining the ability of associations to apply community-specific design guidelines and standards in a manner that is not arbitrary or capricious.

Following constructive engagement with the sponsor and the introduction of the -1 amendment, OR LAC shifted from a neutral position to supporting the legislation as amended. Once the bill was amended, CAI launched a grassroots campaign asking advocates across Oregon to urge their legislators to support it.

As a result, 9 advocates sent a total of 18 messages to 15 Oregon state legislators in support of SB 1551. CAI and OR LAC appreciate the bill sponsor's willingness to work collaboratively with stakeholders to thoughtfully address the practical concerns raised by community associations, homeowners, and professional managers across Oregon.

Status: Successfully became law – Signed by Governor on 3/31.

TOP REASONS TO CONTRIBUTE

Protect Your Interests: Your donation saves you and your community association money by protecting Oregon's homeowner and condominium associations from burdensome legislation.

Stay Informed & Involved: OR LAC organizes grassroots advocacy campaigns to facilitate direct communication between you and your elected officials regarding important issues related to community associations.

Track Key Legislation: During the 2026 legislative session, OR LAC tracked 20 pieces of legislation, directly advocating on bills with potential implications on our industry.

Ensure Lawmakers Are Informed & Connected With CAI: By educating lawmakers, their staff, and other key decision-makers on our industry and connecting them with CAI, OR LAC can influence the outcome of legislation.

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Make A Difference: It's Easy to Help

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