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I support the amendment to S.226 that creates a Land Access and Opportunity Board.

S.226 directs massive amounts of money into many different components of our housing continuum. As we move forward with these historic investments, it is important that we do so in ways that promote racial and social equity. By amending S.226 to include this new Board, we create a new structure in the system of government that can interact with all of the other pieces to increase accessibility to opportunities for housing, property ownership, and land access for those who have been historically disenfranchised. The Board can work with many other existing pieces of the housing continuum to adjust policies and processes to address current and future disparities.

We need to make sure that we do not replicate past inequities in the opportunities provided through S.226. The creation of this proposed Land Access and Opportunity Board would be an important step towards promoting racial and social equity across the housing continuum. This amendment strengthens the purpose of H.226, making housing safe and affordable for all- including those who have been historically excluded from these opportunities!

Thanks!

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