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I'm not sure I'm reading this proposed law correctly. I am currently on the Planning Board and Site Plan Review Committee in Sanford.

It appears this legislation would allow structures with up to four dwelling units in ALL zones where housing is permitted. Currently apartments are NOT allowed in the Rural Residential (RR) and Rural Mixed Use (RMU) zones in Sanford.

This legislation does not "allow greater density near transit, jobs, schools or neighborhood centers". Each 4 unit structure would mean 4-8 vehicles that have to travel from the rural zones to shop for groceries, drug stores, etc.

Our growth management strategy should limit or not allow sprawling residential development in rural areas.

Our Comprehensive Plan has identified growth areas. Once these growth areas have been built up Sanford will eventually have to thoughtfully move into the rural areas.