

Submitted By: Laura Spendolini

Submitted on: March, 24 2023

Testimony in support of: House Bill 2765: Relating to treated wastewater discharged by the South Suburban Sanitary District; declaring an emergency.

Submitted to: House Committee On Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, and Water

Dear Chair Helm Vice-Chairs Hartman and Owens and members of the committee,

My name is Laura Spendolini. I am a customer of South Suburban Sanitary District and registered voter inside the District boundaries.

I am a retired state of Oregon employee having worked for the state for 30 years. I am writing to offer my strong support for HB 2765 and urge you to vote in favor of this much needed legislation.

The state of Oregon has identified Klamath County as one of its disadvantaged communities. Though not a distinction to tout, it is an important factor that should be considered in the analysis of the impact this bill would have on my community and me personally.

If this bill fails to pass, me and everyone else in this district will have to pay the twenty million dollars on a pipeline to try and save the rich habitat that has been severely harmed by the drought that we've experienced for the last several years.

This bill is one of those under consideration that can actually SAVE the citizens money, instead of adding more financial burdens to retirees, like me.

I respectfully encourage you to vote YES on HB 2765.

Respectfully,

Laura Spendolini