

March 25th, 2023

Bend, Oregon

Chair Helm, Representatives,

We at Bend YIMBY are writing to voice our opposition to HB 2659.

Oregon desperately needs more homes - for people - not more government mandated parking.

Oregon needs to act on climate change, not cling to the status quo.

HB 2659 would kill tens of thousands of potential homes around the state, especially lower-cost ones and homes near transit:

<https://www.sightline.org/2023/02/02/with-flexibility-over-parking-oregon-homebuilders-get-to-work/>

Environmental advocates are working in good faith to agree with cities on administrative changes that can help cities comply with these rules, without throwing away years of work by repealing the entire package. Please support that process instead.

Thank you,

David Welton

On behalf of Bend YIMBY, a chapter of YIMBY Action.



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