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On Behalf Of: Klamath County Chamber of Commerce
Government Affairs Committee

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 Joe Spendolini. I am submitting this testimony in support of HB 2765 on behalf of the Government Affairs Committee of the Klamath County Chamber of Commerce (GAC). Our Chamber GAC represents the approximate 600 businesses that make-up the membership of our Chamber in matters that come before Federal, state, and local government officials and agencies. The GAC is a committee served by community and business leaders from many industries and organizations throughout Klamath County.

Our GAC is united in support of HB 2765 for many reasons:

- There is no revenue ask in the bill.
- It is reusing high quality water.
- It provides a multitude of public benefits.
- It is an innovative response to our multi-year drought.
- It will result in saving the citizens of the District about \$20 million.
- It will help restore some of the environmental damages caused by the drought.

HB 2765 isn't asking for money; it is asking for permission to save a significant sum of money. And for these reasons and more, the Klamath County Chamber of Commerce Government Affairs Committee is united in our strong support of HB 2765.

We respectfully encourage you to vote YES on HB 2765.

Respectfully,

Joe Spendolini
Chairman, Klamath County Chamber of Commerce
Government Affairs Committee