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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Housing and Homelessness

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3031

Dear Chair Marsh and Committee Members,

I am writing in support of HB 3031 because growth without infrastructure is irresponsible, and growth is coming whether we plan for it or not. In past eras, infrastructure investment created jobs and benefitted taxpayers. We need to revive that. As a Central Oregonian, I have watched the lack of housing for working and middle class folks drive people to move further and further outside the cities, creating urban sprawl and traffic, increasing commute times. I also hear from friends who lived rurally until the sprawl reached them that they don't have the money to link into the city's sewer system. Some areas are even experiencing water pollution due to too many septic systems because housing there multiplied without the services needed to accommodate that kind of growth. Individuals cannot solve these problems on their own. Only government has the power of pooling resources and planning growth responsibly so the housing we need for our workforce can be built responsibly. HB 3031 will get us closer to solving these urgent problems. Thank you for supporting the services needed for well planned communities.

Thank you,
Amy Sabbadini, Bend