



CITY OF BEND

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Senator Aaron Woods, Co-Chair
Representative David Gomberg, Co-Chair
Joint Committee on Ways and Means Subcommittee on Transportation
and Economic Development
900 Court Street NE, Room H-178
Salem, OR 97301

RE: City of Bend testimony in support of HB 5024

Co-Chairs Woods and Gomberg, and Members of the Committee,

The City of Bend provides the testimony in support of HB 5024, for the Oregon Business Development Department, aka Business Oregon. In particular, we support the work of the Oregon Infrastructure Authority, and the funding proposed under Policy Option Package (POP) 500 for Housing infrastructure and Site Readiness. This POP, combined with HB 3031, provides a valuable source of funding for cities to support the development of all types of needed housing. We urge the passage of HB 5024, and the quick and efficient implementation of funding for Housing Infrastructure and Site Readiness to support the development of housing around Oregon.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify. The City of Bend supports the passage of HB 5024.

Sincerely,

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