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TO the Senate Committee on Environment and Natural Resources:

It is bad enough that a bill that is about one topic (Lottery Funds for Water Storage) gets entirely gutted, morphing into something totally different (Banning a footbridge over the Deschutes!). But this revised content is pretty sneaky. Obviously our Rep Gene Whisnant was too busy to study this bill before lending his support. It's pretty bad when the Bend Bulletin, a regular supporter of Whisnant, Republicans, and their issues, is against this bill and against Whisnant's hasty support of it. And the "Upper Deschutes Conservation Council" appears to be merely a handful of locals with direct interest in ensuring the bridge is not built -- as it is near their personal property! Wow! Please do not rush to approve this bill without looking at the opinions of actual conservation groups and Bend Park & Rec.

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