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To: [SENR Exhibits](#)
Subject: Oppose HB 2027
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Dear Senators, I'll get to the point. I am I Bend resident and I'm asking that you oppose HB2027, as the other 99.99999999% of Bend residents do.

Representative Whisnant, which represents Sunriver, by no means should be proposing this bill. He's does NOT represent Bend in any shape or form. He certainly should not be proposing bills pertaining to Bend.

There are a couple residents, about .000000001%, trying to push this bill through, at record speed. These people are the private land owners abutting the Deschutes River. They are claiming environmental damage that would occur by building a pedestrian bridge abutting their properties. I assure you, the enormous houses they'll be building will have a much larger negative impact on the Deschutes River and the surrounding area than a pedestrian bridge ever would. They are claiming a group called "Upper Deschutes Conversation Council" oppose it. I'll save you your time...this group does NOT exist. It is a FAKE group.

This is a blatantly clear example of uber rich people trying to use their money and political connections to keep the citizens of Bend away from their private property. The PEDESTRIAN bridge is on PUBLIC LAND, outside of the Bend city limits. One of the supporters, Tim Phillips, happens to be a multiple lot land owner of the subdivision, made many donations to various politicians, and has run for various political offices, including Congress in 2004. He's just one example of the current land owners with the political money and connections.

People live in Bend for the outdoor recreation, and beer. To be one with nature. To use, appreciate and give back to our public lands, our forests, our rivers. With that it creates an amazing community that is passionate about it's access to it public lands.

So again, I urge you to oppose HB 2027. Be the voice of 99.99999999% Bend residents, the common folk, the users, the lovers of our legal access to public lands, the ones that make Bend....Bend.

I thank you for your time and service.

Sincerely,
Korina Riggin
Bend resident