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Chair Pham, Vice Chair Andersen, Committee Members,

We are writing on behalf of Bend YIMBY, an all-volunteer pro-housing group in central Oregon to support SB 684.

This bill helps fill the gap in the housing market that traditional financing struggles to meet in the best of times. Now, with higher interest rates, things are even more difficult.

We need more housing of all shapes and sizes, but anything that helps provide housing that more directly helps those with less to spend on housing is a big win.

Thank you

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