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Committee:	House Committee On Revenue
Measure, Appointment or Topic:	HB4134

As the Destination Management Organization for Harney County, the Harney County Chamber of Commerce opposes HB 4134. This bill puts our state's climb from 46th in the nation for tourism to our current position within the top 5 at risk. Tourism is an important driver of economic independence in Harney County as we further grow our outdoor recreation economy. Burns is the halfway point between Bend and Boise, providing a much needed oasis in the high desert of our beautiful state. Please do not allow non-tourism related causes to attach itself to one of our state's most important industries.