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Representative Emerson Levy's Bill Supporting Housing Insecure Families Heads to Governor's Desk

House Bill 3440, Housing Deschutes Families, is key to addressing youth and family homelessness

SALEM, Ore. - Today, Housing Deschutes Families (HB 3440) passed the Oregon Senate (22-2) and now heads to the Governor's desk. The bill allows smaller counties, like Deschutes County, to use tax foreclosure receipts to support youth and families experiencing housing insecurity.

"Families in my community are struggling with the high cost of housing, and we need common sense solutions to help them. With recent funding allocated for housing investments and youth shelters, we are using all tools to address our most vulnerable: homeless youth." says <u>Representative Emerson Levy</u> (D-Central Oregon). "I am proud to chief sponsor HB 3440. As the communities in Central Oregon grow quickly, the people who live here deserve our urgent action. They deserve stability and support."

Addressing housing and homelessness is a top priority for Levy, who supported the bipartisan Affordable Housing & Emergency Homelessness Response Package (HB 2002), an unprecedented victory passed in March of this year.

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