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REDMOND HOUSING BILL PASSES SENATE, HEADS TO GOVERNOR FOR FINAL APPROVAL

SALEM, Ore. – Today, House Bill 2336 passed in the Senate with a 26-0 (4 excused) vote. State Representative Jack Zika today issued the following statement regarding House Bill 2336, relating to the Redmond affordable housing pilot program:

"This is a critical bill for Redmond, and we are now only one step away from it becoming law," Zika said.

The affordable housing pilot program is intended to expedite development of affordable housing outside urban growth boundaries. The passage of HB 2336 would bring an additional 485 new homes to Redmond in Skyline Village with half of those homes designated deed restricted at 80% AMI (Area Median Income).

Zika carried the bill through the House with unanimous support and advocated continuously throughout the Senate process. Today, Senator Tim Knopp carried the bill on the Senate floor where a vote was held and HB 2336 passed. Having passed the House and Senate, housing for Redmond now awaits Governor Brown's final signature of approval.

"Oregon's restrictive land use system is playing a key role in our high cost of housing in Central Oregon. This bill is one more positive step forward in addressing housing supply and gives Redmond the ability to bring more much-needed affordable housing to the community."

Zika is a Chief Sponsor of HB 2336 and member of the House Human Services and Housing Committee. Zika is a former member of the Redmond Planning Commission, where he made decisions about local housing policies, and is a real estate broker.

House District 53 includes the communities of Redmond, Tumalo, Sunriver and portions of Bend and unincorporated Deschutes County.

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