



**REPRESENTATIVE JACK ZIKA  
HOUSE DISTRICT 53**

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**Rep Zika Supports Middle Housing Bill, Options and Inventory Help Affordable Housing Crisis**

**SALEM, Ore.** – State Representative Jack Zika today issued the following statement regarding "Middle Housing", HB 2001-A.

“This bill provides property owners with more flexibility to develop duplexes and triplexes, which can provide more affordable rental housing. Bend and Redmond are already pursuing similar policies, and HB-2001-A builds on those local efforts on a statewide basis. I am supportive of land use reforms that provide more options to help solve our affordable housing crisis.”

HB 2001-A requires cities with population greater than 10,000 to allow middle housing in lands zoned for single-family dwellings within urban growth boundary. Middle housing refers to duplexes, triplexes, quadplexes, cottage clusters and townhouses.

Rep Zika is a member of the Oregon House Human Services and Housing Committee where he worked on amendments to the original bill, and voted in support of passing HB 2001-A to the Ways and Means Committee. Zika testified before the Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development in support of the bill and its ability to help with Oregon's affordability housing crisis. The Committee then moved HB 2001-A to the House floor for a vote where it passed 43-16 and now heads to the Oregon Senate.

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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