



February 18, 2025

Representative Ken Helm

Representative Mark Owens

Co-Chairs, House Committee on Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources and Water

900 Court St NE

Salem, OR 97301

RE: Support for House Bill 3527

Dear Co-Chairs Helm and Owens and Members of the Committee,

The Oregon Housing Alliance urges you to support HB 3527. This bill provides assistance for Oregonians who are at risk of losing access to water in their homes, due to the rapidly escalating cost of living. The Housing Alliance believes that water – like housing – is a basic necessity of life, and therefore a human right. We strongly support this proposal to fund a safety net program ensuring that Oregonians do not go without water.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Cameron Herrington". The signature is fluid and cursive, with "Cameron" on the top line and "Herrington" on the bottom line.

Cameron Herrington

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A statewide coalition of housing providers, tenant organizations, homeless service agencies, local governments, and housing advocates. We believe every Oregonian deserves a home that is affordable, stable, accessible and safe.

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