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Oregon Progressive Party Independent Party of Oregon

Position on Bills at 2021 Session of Oregon Legislature:

Dear Committee: **HB 2180: Support but should be stronger**

The Independent Party of Oregon and Oregon Progressive Party support this bill, which would:

- Require the Director of Department of Consumer and Business Services (DCBS) to adopt state building codes that require at least 20 percent of parking spaces in newly constructed privately owned commercial buildings, multifamily residential buildings with five or more residential dwelling units, and mixed-use buildings consisting of privately owned commercial space and five or more residential dwelling units to provide electrical vehicle charging infrastructure, and allow municipalities to adopt building codes that require a higher percentage of parking spaces to provide electric vehicle charging.
- Authorize municipalities, by ordinance, rule or process concerning land use, to require that each newly constructed building include provisions for electrical service capacity to accommodate more than 20 percent of vehicle parking spaces in the garage or parking area for the building.

Mandating charging capacity at only 20% of parking spaces is inadequate. Certainly early in the long lives of the buildings covered by this requirement, most private cars will be electric powered.

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