



March 13, 2023

Oregon State Legislature
House Committee On Climate, Energy, and Environment
900 Court St. NE
Salem, OR 97301

RE: HB 3418: Relating to State Department of Energy incentive programs

Dear Chair Marsh, Vice-Chairs Levy and Levy, and members of the committee,

On behalf of the more than 74,000 members and supporters of the Oregon Chapter Sierra Club, I'm writing in support of HB 3418 to continue the Oregon Solar + Storage Rebate Program for another five years.

This program has been immensely successful over the past few years, helping to fund over 4000 residential and low-income service provider projects that improve grid resilience using renewable solar energy, but is currently set to sunset on January 2, 2024.

The program has easily exceeded its goal to direct 25% of its funds to benefit low- and moderate-income communities, and has achieved coverage in 34 of 36 of Oregon's counties. HB 3418 will make a powerful investment in Oregon's clean energy future that also sustains well paid jobs throughout the state.

The Oregon Chapter Sierra Club urges your support for HB 3418.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Dix, Chair
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