Joint Committee on Tax Credits 76th Session

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Senator Ginny Burdick, Co-Chair Representative Jules Bailey, Co-Chair Representative Vicki Berger, Co-Chair Joint Committee on Tax Credits

Re: SB 822 - Extension of tax credit for alternative fuel vehicles and fueling stations

Co-Chairs Burdick, Bailey, Berger, and Members of the Committee,

The City of Eugene urges your **support** of **SB 822**, which would extend the sunset for tax credits for the use of alternative fuel vehicles, and for the construction or installation of fueling stations for alternative fuel vehicles.

Although the City itself does not qualify for these credits directly, we do maintain an extensive alternative fuel vehicle fleet, and see secondary benefits from these tax credits. One such benefit is that the general market price of these vehicles is slightly reduced due to the overall increased accessibility of the product, which provides cost-savings to the City; and the potential construction of more fueling stations in Eugene offers greater infrastructure to support their use.

The City of Eugene respectfully urges your support for SB 822.

Sincerely

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