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My name is David L. Medford. I reside at 7020 S.W. 82nd Ave., Washington Co., Oregon, 97223. I wish to submit testimony ahead of the Committee meeting convening March 3, 2015. I am testifying in strong support of HB 2745/ HB 2941-1 .I support clean, local solar electricity production because it's a proven winner on all sides. It's component manufacturing and installation supports Oregon jobs; quality jobs that workers can support families on . The clean power produced is of course beneficial to our planet's environment as a replacement for power generated by the extraction, transport, and burning of fossil fuels. The ability to produce one's own power to propel an automobile for transportation is a concept whose time has fully arrived. The Solar Pilot Program has been very successfully implemented in Oregon, facillitating the successful installation of many large- scale power generating projects across the state . The Solar Power Pilot Project has accomplished this with no general fund impact and therefore should be extended as long as it continues to prove beneficial for the citizens of Oregon. HB 2941-1 should also be adopted. This Bill uses the structure of The Solar Power Project to facilitate community -owned solar projects for those of us who don't enjoy favorable sun exposure on our houses/lots. Through HB 2941-1 I would finally be able to invest in a solar system and reap the economic benefits of locally produced clean energy. This program, for specific example, would encourage many households of parishioners of St Luke Lutheran Church, in S.W. Portland to share in the cost and benefits of installing a large solar array as part of our upcoming major remodeling project. Thanks for your time, David L. Medford