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TO: Senator Lee Beyer

Senate Committee on Business and Transportation

RE: Park Model Sales

Skyline Homes of Oregon has been in business locally for the past 50 years, building HUD and RVIA products.

We currently employ over 120 individuals and provide tax dollars on an estimated 20 million in sales. Affordable housing is our business and we ship products to over 30 retail locations in Oregon and Washington. We provide a steady and reliable income for many families in Yamhill and Polk counties.

We are in a very competitive industry and have had several lean years leading up to today. The current bill under consideration (SB753) helps protect our ability to build our core products and remain competitive in our marketplace. Requiring licensed plumbers and electricians would significantly diminish our ability to compete with manufacturers outside of our state. The end result would be a loss of jobs in Oregon.

We do not fear competition, and in fact, believe that fair competition drives better choices and products for all consumers. But without the passage of SB753, we believe Oregon companies will be put in an unfair disadvantage and ultimately, result in a loss for all of Oregon.

Respectfully,

Richard W. Florea President and CEO