



April 3, 2019

House Energy & Environment Committee
900 Court Street NE
Salem, Oregon 97301

Dear Members of the Committee:

The Home Performance Contractor's Guild of Oregon **SUPPORTS HB 3094**. Our contractor members work in energy efficiency every day. Thank you for hearing our voices in support of this bill.

The Home Performance Guild has worked with local contractors since 2011 to build excellence in the industry. Our Board of Directors are award-winning leaders in the industry, they are small business-owning women and people of color.

We have strong ties to diverse groups implementing social justice and environmental justice goals like Community Energy Project and the Professional Business Development Group. We have Board member on the the Portland Clean Energy Fund committees. We need your help to keep this working going!

When Residential Energy Tax Credit expired and utility sector incentive went away our contractors turned to other avenues for income or dialed back their businesses, creating job losses.

We know incentive programs work. A high quality energy efficiency retrofit means:

- conservation of energy
- affordable energy bills
- improved indoor air quality
- improved comfort

This is a win for the consumer, a win for the environment and good jobs for contractors. HB 3094 supports small businesses throughout the state and reaches families most in need of energy efficiency improvements. Please vote in favor of this bill. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Gretchen Hollands

Executive Director