



February 3, 2021

The Honorable Pam March
House Energy and Environment Committee
House District 5
900 Court St. NE, H-474
Salem, Oregon 97301

The Honorable Ken Helm
House Energy and Environment Committee
House District 34
900 Court St. NE, H-490
Salem, Oregon 97301

**Re: Support for House Bill 2062 — Relating to Energy Efficiency Standards;
Prescribing a Date.**

Dear Madam Chair Marsh and Vice Chair Helm:

This bill, relating to the establishment of energy efficiency standards for high color-rendering index fluorescent lamps, portable electric spas, computers, computer monitors, and electric storage water heaters used by the citizens of Oregon is supported by the Pool & Hot Tub Alliance. By requiring minimum efficiencies, this bill will save consumers and businesses money on their utility bill at the same time decreasing energy consumption and reducing greenhouse gases.

The portable spa provisions in this bill are consistent with what is used within the industry and in other state and national standards. Most importantly, the standards for portable electric spas proposed by HB 2062 were submitted through the rulemaking process on August 28, 2020, by the Oregon Department of Energy. The rule changes will become effective on September 1, 2021.

We fully support the requirement to have Oregon portable spas meet the latest edition of the ANSI/APSP/ICC-14 Standard for Portable Electric Spa Energy Efficiency. This standard has been adopted by over 21 states through either the adoption of the International Pool and Spa Code (ISPSC) or by appliance energy efficiency legislation similar to what Oregon is considering in HB 2062.



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Additionally, at least 10 additional state legislatures have either filed or will file legislation to adopt the Portable Electric Spa Energy Efficiency APSP-14 Standard in 2021. To ensure consistency with what is required within this standard and a higher compliance rate, we strongly support its inclusion into statute via this legislation.

On behalf of the many Oregon pool and spa professionals represented by PHTA, as well as those in neighboring states that do business in Oregon, we respectfully request that you consider moving this important legislation out of your committee.

Sincerely,

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About Us

The Pool & Hot Tub Alliance was formed in 2019, combining the Association of Pool & Spa Professionals (APSP) and the National Swimming Pool Foundation (NSPF). With the mission to “Celebrate the Water,” PHTA facilitates the expansion of swimming, water safety and related research and outreach activities aimed at introducing more people to swimming, making swimming environments safer and keeping pools open to serve communities.

APSP, now the PHTA, is the world’s oldest and largest association representing swimming pool, hot tub, and spa manufacturers, distributors, manufacturers’ agents, designers, builders, installers, suppliers, retailers, and service professionals. Dedicated to the growth and development of its members’ businesses and to promoting the enjoyment and safety of pools and spas, PHTA offers a range of services, from professional development to advancing key legislation and regulation at the federal and local levels, to consumer outreach and public safety. PHTA is the only industry organization recognized by the American National Standards Institute to develop and promote national standards for pools, hot tubs, and spas. For more information, visit PHTA.org.



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