

Testimony in Support of HB 3166
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To Committee members and staff

350 Salem OR² supports HB 3166

My work for the Oregon Dept. of Energy included designing, implementing and measuring the effectiveness of state and utility residential and commercial energy efficiency programs. HB 3166 would provide valuable tools for Oregonians to make their buildings more efficient.

- Oregonians have never had more opportunity to build smart or upgrade our existing homes and buildings to perform better while wasting less energy, which lowers energy bills.
- These policies are only valuable if Oregonians can access and navigate them.
- HB 3166 a “one stop shop” where busy people can easily access the many benefits available from federal, state, local, and utility sources is a common-sense tool.

Thank you for your work to make Oregon a better place and for accepting written and oral testimony.

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² 350 Salem OR is a chapter of 350.org, an international non-profit dedicated to reducing climate pollution and human-caused climate disruptions, such as the 2020 Labor Day Santiam Canyon wildfire and the June 2021 heat dome event.