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**TO: Sen. Janeen Sollman, Chair
Sen. Lynn Findley, Vice Chair
Members of the Senate Committee on Energy & Environment**

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On behalf of ChargePoint**

RE: SB 582 – Neutral with the -1 Amendment

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ChargePoint is the world's largest electric vehicle charging network with more than 225,000 Level 2 EV and direct current fast charging ports on the ChargePoint network globally, including 597 in Oregon. ChargePoint's customers include major employers, municipalities, universities, utilities, real estate developers and parking garage facility owners and operators that provide EV charging and related services to EV drivers.

SB 582 would require all contractors using state incentives to install charging stations to first obtain an Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Training Program (EVITP) certification. We did raise early concerns with the proponents and Chief Sponsor Lieber, specifically noting the possible impact this new requirement would pose to future deployment of charging stations in Oregon. As this Committee knows Oregon already has a long way to go to meet its charging goals – with 3,525 today and 155,249 needed by 2035.¹ Accordingly, we need to ensure there is no delay in installation of new charging ports and or limitation associated with certification to prevent the workforce from serving the growing need and demand.

Which is why we appreciate the willingness of Chief Sponsor Lieber and IBEW to work with us to reach a negotiated amendment reflected in the -1 Amendment.

With the -1 Amendment, SB 582 will:

1. Clarify the mandate only applies to electrical system not 'related infrastructure' and that the certified supervisor/participant is only on the site for "the" period of install and not during entire project or maintenance.
2. Broaden the exemption from single family residential to multifamily with less than 4 residential dwellings and townhouses.
3. Future proof the residential exemptions by deleting volt specific outlets.
4. Delay the effective date of the 25% trigger to when 500 electricians have been certified – ensuring a certified workforce is available.
5. Includes a review of curriculum to ensure the training remains the best practices for installation as well as a report on the number of certified electricians.

¹ ODOT Transportation Electrification Infrastructure Needs Analysis

https://www.oregon.gov/odot/Programs/Documents/Climate%20Office/TEINA_Final_Report_June282021.pdf