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On Behalf Of:

Committee:                 Senate Committee On Labor and Business

Measure:                    HB3572

Dear Chair Taylor and Committee Members,

I hope you will support and pass HB 3572 that gives Oregon Benefit Companies (OBC) a sustainable advantage when submitting a proposal to the Oregon procurement office for a contract.

As businesses dedicated to a triple bottom line of People, Planet and Profit, OBC leaders like me and other is our firm have a commitment to people and planet sometimes requiring that we make business decisions that positively impact the environment and society, even if they are not as cost-efficient as choice we might otherwise make.

Oregon Benefit Companies are the kind of small businesses every community and city in Oregon needs. These companies believe in living wages for their employees, supporting a diverse workforce and mitigating carbon output from their operations.

HB 3572 will help us ensure that the Oregon Benefit Company movement continues to thrive in our state and acknowledges the commitment these purpose-driven leaders have made to all their stakeholders. Please support and pass HB 3572.