

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND SMALL BUSINESS

February 2, 2023
1:00 PM

Hearing Room F

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rep. Janelle Bynum, Chair
Rep. Lily Morgan, Vice-Chair
Rep. Daniel Nguyen, Vice-Chair
Rep. Ed Diehl
Rep. Lucetta Elmer
Rep. Cyrus Javadi
Rep. John Lively
Rep. Virgle Osborne
Rep. Hai Pham
Rep. Ricki Ruiz
Rep. Jules Walters

STAFF PRESENT: Andrew Hendrie, LPRO Analyst
Desi Root, Committee Assistant

EXHIBITS: Exhibits from this meeting are available [here](#)

MEASURES/ISSUES: Perspectives from the State Economist – Informational Meeting
Renewable Energy Economic Opportunity – Informational Meeting
Public Comment on Economic Development and Small Business – Informational Meeting

00:00:20 Meeting Called to Order
00:00:21 Chair Bynum

00:00:35 [Perspectives from the State Economist - Informational Meeting](#)

00:00:36 Chair Bynum

00:00:59 Mark McMullen, State Economist, Office of Economic Analysis,
Department of Administrative Services

00:17:29 Rep. Javadi

00:21:50 Rep. Diehl

00:26:33 Vice-Chair D. Nguyen

00:29:25 [Renewable Energy Economic Opportunity - Informational Meeting](#)

00:29:26 Chair Bynum

00:30:15 Shannon Souza, Program Manager, Oregon Coast Energy Alliance Network
00:33:15 Meeting Recessed
00:33:30 Meeting Reconvened
00:39:46 Natalie Walker, Economic Analyst, ECONorthwest
00:47:38 Jake Stephens, Chief Executive Officer and Founder, NewSun Energy
00:50:43 Rep. Osborne
00:55:20 Rep. Diehl
00:56:35 Rep. Javadi
01:00:45 Dr. Mark Buckley, Partner/Senior Economist, ECONorthwest

01:02:19 **Public Comment on Economic Development and Small Business - Informational Meeting**
01:02:20 Chair Bynum
01:02:36 Mike McArther, Executive Director, Community Renewable Energy Association
01:07:04 Vice-Chair Morgan
01:11:18 Meeting Adjourned