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Oregon House Committee on Climate, Energy, and the Environment  
Chair Representative John Lively  
HB 3119, January 30, 2025, hearing

Chair Lively and members of the committee,

I own Siskiyou Transportation and Timberland Helicopters, two small companies located in Ashland, Oregon. In total, we have about 20 employees. We operate all classes of trucks in support of our operations. Our helicopter operations primarily consist of powerline patrol work for PacifiCorp and firefighting and wildlife survey work. I am asking you to please support HB 3119. While my companies and employees support a clean environment, and we do everything we can to work in that direction, the Advanced Clean Trucks regulations that went into effect on January 1, of this year are detrimental to our efforts to buy newer, cleaner trucks. There is currently no infrastructure to support an overall transition to electric trucks. In our helicopter company, our fuel trucks travel to remote locations to support helicopters engaged in firefighting operations and electrical grid infrastructure work. It is impossible to utilize an electric truck to support this, in addition to the astronomical costs associated with electric truck acquisition as well as infrastructure installation. The bottom line is that we are not ready for an electric truck transition in Oregon. Someday I feel we will be able to move toward zero-emission vehicles, however, that day is not here.

Please help by supporting HB 3119.

Thank you for your time,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mark D. Gibson', is written over a light gray rectangular background.

Mark D. Gibson  
President