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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Climate, Energy, and Environment

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2961

To the House Committee on Climate, Energy and Environment,
I urge you to support HB 2961, the EV-ready Expansion Bill. I have driven an EV for many years and believe this is such an important way to combat climate change. I am fortunate to have a home where I can plug in my vehicle. Given that 40% of Oregonians are renters, this bill will open up the possibility of EV ownership to a larger percentage of our population who currently can't access home-charging. It applies to new multifamily housing above a certain size and requires either an increased amount of charging capacity or the installation of at least one actual EV charging station. The visibility of the charging station, as opposed to the mere underground conduit that is currently required, is key to driving EV adoption among our renter population.

Sincere thanks,

Patty Farrell