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On Behalf Of:

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Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2961

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Dear Chair Lively, Fide-hair Gamba, Vice-Chair Bobby Levy and members of the House Committee on Climate, Energy and Environment

I urge you support HB2961 to increase electrical capacity for electric car charging in commercial and multifamily residential buildings. With 40% of Oregon renters, we must provide cleaner transportation options to all residents. This will also help us reach the state climate goals as required by E)20-04.

When I purchased my electric car 2 1/2 years ago, it was expensive to install a 220 line to the outside of my house for a Level 2 charger. Given that my house was built in 1911, that could be expected. But today we can and must do better. It is less expensive to install the capacity during construction, and renters and tenants don't have the authority to alter the building after construction.

Please support HB2961 for a better future for all Oregonians.