Dear Members of the House Committee on Climate Energy and the Environment, As a physician, public health advocate and utility ratepayer living in Portland, I support SB 685.

Oregon needs to better regulate the blending of hydrogen gas into residential natural gas lines.

There is too much risk to the health and safety of communities to abscond from the duty to protect human and environmental health.

SB 685 would take necessary steps to ensure oversight and public notice regarding hydrogen blending. It is a good start.

Thank you,

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