

February 27, 2025

Representative Thuy Tran, Chair
House Committee on Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans
900 Court Street NE
Salem, OR 97301

RE: Port of Portland Testimony in Support of HB 3450

Dear Chair Tran and Members of the Committee:

The Port of Portland (Port) supports passage of HB 3450, which would direct the Oregon Department of Energy to lead development of an energy storage transition plan for the critical energy infrastructure hub. Importantly, the plan would "describe short, medium and long-term goals...that will ensure the resilience of the energy sector in this state and allow this state to guide its energy future."

The mission of the Port is to build shared prosperity for the region through travel, trade, and economic development. This economic activity and movement of goods and people is reliant on dependable and resilient energy and fuel supplies. In the event of a Cascadia Subduction Zone earthquake, fuel will play a critical role in supporting post-event response and recovery for the Port, region, and state. The Port supports moving forward with planning to ensure the resilience of the energy sector and hopes to inform the effort.

The Port respectfully urges your support for HB 3450. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



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