

To: House Committee On Climate, Energy, and Environment 900 Court Street NE Salem, OR

Date: March 4, 2025

Sub: Testimony in support of HB 3081

Chair Lively, and Vice-chairs Gamba and Levy, and members of the committee,

For the record, my name is Eliza Walton. I am the Coalition Director of the Oregon Conservation Network. The Oregon Conservation Network (OCN) is coordinated through the Oregon League of Conservation Voters (OLCV). It is a network of 42 not-for-profit organizations throughout Oregon, united to advocate for pro-conservation legislation and to fight policies that threaten our state's natural legacy.

On behalf of our thousands of members and supporters in Oregon I would like to share that HB 3081 is part of OCN's <u>Energy Affordability and Utility Accountability Priority package</u> along with HB 3546 and SB 88.

Since many of energy incentive programs have different rules and requirements, they can be complex and overwhelming to navigate. One Stop Shop 2.0 aims to offer live support to help users navigate the many available upgrades and rebates. Oregonians will get direct assistance from someone in their part of the state to make their home projects more affordable through locating programs they qualify for, connect with trusted contractors, and ask question along the way.

One Stop Shop 2.0 aims to provide Oregonians with direct support to make home energy upgrades more affordable, while also fostering job creation in the clean energy sector. By helping people invest in climate resilience, this program supports communities most affected by climate change. It makes it easier for individuals and families to transition to a cleaner, more sustainable energy system—benefiting everyone from clean energy workers to families striving to make ends meet.

Thank you for your consideration. I urge your support for HB 3081.

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Sincerely, Eliza Walton

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Submitted On behalf of OCN Member Organizations:

1000 Friends of Oregon | Association of Oregon Recyclers | Beyond Toxics | Bird Alliance of Oregon | Cascadia Wildlands | Center for Biological Diversity | Center for Food Safety | Central Oregon Landwatch | Climate Solutions | Defenders of Wildlife | Deschutes River Alliance | Engineers for a Sustainable Future | The Environmental Center | Environment Oregon | Food & Water Watch | Friends of Mt. Hood | Friends of the Columbia Gorge | Friends of Family Farmers | Greater Hells Canyon Council | League of Women Voters of Oregon | Native Fish Society | Neighbors for Clean Air | Oceana | Oregon Coast Alliance | Oregon Environmental Council | Oregon League of Conservation Voters | Oregon Land and Water Alliance | Oregon Natural Desert Association | Oregon Physicians for Social Responsibility | Oregon Shores Conservation Coalition | Oregon Wild | Renewable Northwest | Rogue Riverkeeper | Sierra Club, Oregon Chapter | The Street Trust | Surfrider Foundation | Trout Unlimited, Oregon Council | Tualatin Riverkeepers | WaterWatch of Oregon | Wetlands Conservancy | Wild Salmon Center | Willamette Riverkeeper