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To: House Committee on Climate, Energy and Environment

Subject: Support for HB 3081

Dear Chair Lively, Vice–Chair Gamba, Vice-Chair Levy and members of the committee:

We are writing as representatives of CEP in support of HB 3081: One-Stop Shop 2.0. CEP serves clients on the front lines of climate change including low-income, seniors and people with disabilities. CEP offers environmental and energy education, weatherization supplies, direct home repairs, and full energy retrofits, all at no cost to our community members.

There are currently many options for Oregonians to upgrade their homes and buildings for better health, lower costs, less pollution, and higher resilience. Incentives and rebates for extended capacity efficient heat pumps, improved insulation, sturdier doors and windows, and clean electric cooking. While this is a great opportunity for Oregonians, finding and applying for these incentives and rebates is often left on community members to navigate and understand by themselves.

Since many of these programs have different rules and requirements, they can be complex and overwhelming to navigate. CEP’s Healthy Homes Auditor Abasi Umoh, who navigates these services in their day to day job says, “I work closely with contractors, clients, and various organizations providing incentives and funding such as Energy Trust of Oregon and Community Heat Pump Deployment Program. There are days where I still have a difficult time determining what funding is available for every new project. Average homeowners and contractors do not have the luxury of dedicating their time to navigate these often confusing incentives.”

One Stop Shop 2.0 is a solution that will lower the burden of having to navigate available funding resources by providing skilled and expert assistance. One Stop Shop 2.0 (HB 3081) aims to offer live support to help Oregonians navigate the many available upgrades and rebates. Users 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 questions along the way.

Every Oregonian should have access and help navigating home upgrades that lower energy bills, improve health, and protect us from extreme heat and wildfire smoke. We must make it easier for people of all incomes and abilities to stay in their homes and make housing resilient. One Stop Shop 1.0 (aka HIPPO) was created to collect all federal, state, utility, and local programs in one place. It’s time to turn this passive search tool into an active helping hand for community members with One-Stop Shop 2.0 (HB 3081).

Thank you,  
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