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As we've seen over the recent years, Oregon is experiencing more wildfires and more wildfires that approach populated areas. Our best approach to protecting lives and properties is to harden homes starting with the most at-risk communities.

HB 3172 will create a grant program for home hardening under the direction of the State Fire Marshall. This is a smart investment to save lives and protect at-risk communities. In addition, hardened homes could receive lower insurance premiums, due to the reduced loss risk, which will help with housing affordability.

Please pass HB 3172 out of committee with a 'Do Pass' recommendation.

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