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On Behalf Of:	Oregon Farm Bureau Federation
Committee:	House Committee On Climate, Energy, and Environment
Measure, Appointment or Topic:	HB3681

Dear Climate, Energy and Environment Committee. I am very concerned with the fact Solar Companies are converting huge amounts of Exclusive Farm Use lands into Industrial Solar Facilities. On face value it appears HB3681 is making this approach much easier.....more specifically, it actually requires the Energy Facility Siting Council to expedite Solar facility sitings. We must begin considering more sensible alternatives for solar facility sitings in lieu of Exclusive Farm Use Lands. For instance, we should incentivize the use of urban infrastructure, industrial facilities, warehouses and distribution centers for solar sitings. I stand with the Oregon Farm Bureau and vehemently oppose this Bill. I request the Committee deny any further consideration for HB3681.