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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Committee On Transportation

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2945

Dear Co-Chairs Gorsek and McLain and Members of the Joint Transportation Committee,

I strongly urge your support of HB 2945 and the -1 Amendment to move Oregon to zero-emission school buses.

School bus electrification is a sound investment for multiple reasons:

- *Protects school children in our state from the negative health impacts of diesel exhaust fumes. After all, children are particularly vulnerable to this source of air pollution.

- *Addresses Oregon's top source of climate pollution – the transportation sector. HB 2945 is a thoughtful solution with impacts into the future that assists in meeting climate goals.

Protection Program.

- *Helps school districts via long term cost savings.

HB 2945 is worthy of your support and should be accompanied by zero-emission investments in our state's overall transportation funding package.

Thank you for your commitment to healthy kids and a more sustainable Oregon

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