Chair Sollman, members of the committee, my name is John Lekas and I live in the Stafford Rd neighborhood in Tualatin and I oppose HB 3681.

HOWEVER, if this bill moves forward, I have one small request that will have a huge impact on rural residential areas like Stafford Rd, Forest Park, and other areas alike.

<u>Please include the following terms in the PUC and EFSC processes:</u>

Residential zoned areas that do not have preexisting fire hydrants are not eligible for newly proposed high-voltage transmission lines.

These transmission lines greatly raise the risk of wildfires for all Oregon residents.

Thank you, John Lekas