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Dear Senator Beyer and Members of the Committee,

Having worked in solar project management and design in Oregon for 7 years, I have watched and assisted many communities in fledgling attempts to install community funded solar. There is wide spread interest in local ownership of power but several barriers including securities laws. Opening up the doors to crowd-funded solar is a great way to tap into local desire for renewable energy without impacting tax payers. I hope Oregon will tap into the experience of states like Minnesota, Colorado and California who are leading the country in allowing and encouraging community solar.

I support SB1520 and thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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