

HB 2745 Solar Pilot Program Extension  
Energy and the Environment Committee  
Hearing date: Tuesday March 3, 2015

I'm a member of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees Green Caucus. Our caucus strongly supports HB 2745.

There are several reasons to support this bill:

Feed-in tariffs have been shown to be the most effective policy for renewable energy worldwide and have supported growth in solar power, reducing our dependence on fossil fuels and hydroelectric generation.

Successful implementation of the Feed-in-Tariff is already in place in Oregon

Keeps Oregon energy dollars in Oregon

There is no general fund impact yet affordable for electricity customers through long-term financing making it possible for average citizens to afford their own.

Creates quality jobs for Oregonians in solar manufacturing and installation

Power generated closer to its end user reduces power lost in transmission and distribution

Thank you

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