

The Association of Oregon Counties Support SB 32 and the Dash 2 Amendments

To: House Committee on Energy and Environment

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The Association of Oregon Counties supports the efforts that are being put forth to explore expanding natural gas to underserviced communities in the state. We believe that having a county commissioner or judge participate in the workgroup would add an important perspective and urge you to support the -2 amendments to SB 32. Access to natural gas is a vital issue for some of the counties but the commissioners understand that expanded services will come at a cost. The Association of Oregon Counties believes that having a local elected official helping to weigh these issues is vitally important to the workgroup's success.

If you have any questions about this issue feel free to contact AOC Policy Staff Mark Nystrom at mnystrom@aocweb.org or 503-585-8351