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*Premier Public Safety Services*

House Committee on Energy and Environment  
900 Court St NE  
Salem, OR 97301

Re: HB 2131

Chair Helm and Committee Members:

I'm Mariana Ruiz-Temple, the Chief Deputy Fire Marshal with the Office of State Fire Marshal (OSFM). Thank you for this opportunity to meet with you today to discuss HB 2131.

The OSFM is committed to our partnership and collaboration with our response partners, rail roads, partner agencies and tribes. This bill is in the spirit of that. This bill would provide a plan for hazmat response training to local fire departments and tribes, and provides for opportunities to build on that training with community/regional exercises.

Planning for training and exercises are dependent on each other in order to provide for a comprehensive response plan. This bill provides for environmental response planning and will ensure that rail plans and environmental plans are in place and will coordinate with response planning both local and at the state level.

Oregon's collective success will be through the cooperation of all local, state, federal, tribal, and private agencies in preparing for future incidents.

Thank you and I am happy to answer any questions.

Sincerely,

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