

Sheet Metal Contractors Association



Plumbing and Mechanical Contractors Association



Sheet Metal Workers Local #16



Oregon State Association of Electrical Workers

- IBEW 48
- IBEW 89
- IBEW 112
- IBEW 125
- IBEW 280
- IBEW 659
- IBEW 932



UA Plumbers and Steamfitters Local #290 February 22, 2017

Chair Helm and Member of the House Energy and Environment Committee:

RE: Support for HB 2132

On behalf of OSAEW, SMART Local 16, SMACNA, UA Plumbers and Steamfitters Local 290 and PMCA we urge your support for HB 2132 and believe that this small change will enable much needed improvements to our commercial and industrial building stock, increasing energy and water efficiency and resiliency throughout the region.

PropertyFit Oregon is an innovative program in the Portland Metro Area that enables long term financing options for energy efficiency and seismic upgrades for commercial, industrial and multifamily residential properties. Our members have long supported the measures to get this program started and have been involved in the planning and implementation phases throughout.

This proposal to add water efficiency, smart electrical vehicle charging stations and energy storage measures will help reach our climate goals by increasing the efficiency of some of our oldest and lowest performing buildings. Additionally, for many building owners the real reason to do this work is that it can produce cost savings for them over the life of the upgrades.

For our members, this change means the potential for more work in the region. We represent a highly trained workforce who will be ready to take on new jobs created by this program.

Thank you for your consideration and we urge your support for **HB 2132**

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