

From the Desk of
Rep. Phil Barnhart

RE: Vote in SUPPORT for House Bill 2510 A and House Bill 2511 A

The undersigned organizations **strongly urge your support of HB 2510 A and HB 2511 A** to remove barriers for consumers to choose cleaner vehicles.

HB 2511 is a common-sense and fair approach to ensure that renters have the same opportunity to recharge an electric vehicle at their residence as home owners. Recharging at home is the most practical and reliable way for individuals to refuel an electric vehicle. It is also the most affordable way to recharge. This convenience should not be denied to renters; and being a renter should not be an insurmountable barrier for an individual to choose a cleaner vehicle.

Similarly, HB 2510 expands opportunities for commercial tenants to offer vehicle recharging to employees and/or customers. While many big businesses own their own properties, many smaller businesses must rent or lease their spaces. Big businesses have an opportunity to offer electric vehicle charging as a benefit for employees or customers. Small businesses should have the same opportunity.

Electric vehicles offer tremendous benefits. They reduce climate and air pollution, require less maintenance, and are cheaper to refuel at home. Oregon should be knocking down barriers so that consumers have the resources and infrastructure to choose clean vehicles. This is a crucial step to achieve Oregon's climate goals and begin the path to reducing climate pollution through transportation electrification.

We respectfully encourage voting in support of HB 2510 A and HB 2511 A.

