

I am in support of HB 3141 ("ETO extension"), which would reauthorize and modernize the public purpose charge that supports the Energy Trust of Oregon (ETO)'s energy efficiency programs. Since its establishment, ETO has saved and generated enough clean energy to power half of all the homes in Oregon. Many of us would like to reduce our electrical heating bills and utilizing the HEAT PUMP is a clean and energy efficient method.

With the ETO, advantages like this give citizens the wherewithal to install a heat pump in their home or weatherize, or insulate for less investment. The Governor's office has taken the lead on this bill, which would extend the ETO until 2035 and make changes to help maximize emissions reductions and support low-income weatherization. Helping people weatherize their homes saves them electrical expense and reduces loss of heat into the atmosphere as well as reduces emissions.