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Vote Yes on HB 2530A to Support Green Electrolytic Hydrogen and Renewable Hydrogen

We support HB 2530A. To reach our state's climate goals, green electrolytic hydrogen and renewable hydrogen will play an important and increasing role in fueling sectors of Oregon's economy that are hard-to-decarbonize. We need to act urgently to determine how and where new emerging technologies like green electrolytic hydrogen and renewable hydrogen can be deployed to help us achieve our climate and economic goals while respecting environmental justice and community considerations.

Oregon has the opportunity now, at the outset, to get it right and support the burgeoning production and deployment of green electrolytic hydrogen and renewable hydrogen into our economy where we need it most.

HB 2530A does two key things:

- Creates definitions for renewable hydrogen and green electrolytic hydrogen, reflecting clear, regionally-aligned definitions for the state about these promising technologies while making sure that this hydrogen is as clean as possible.
- Directs ODOE to apply for and participate in processes to bring in federal funding for renewable and green electrolytic hydrogen, as well as play a role in increasing education and awareness about these technologies for the many varied stakeholders in Oregon.

Large-scale federal dollars in the Inflation Reduction Act will soon become available to help our state grow its renewable hydrogen and green electrolytic hydrogen sector. HB 2530A helps send a clear signal that Oregon wants to support and be competitive for investments in this emerging clean energy sector.

For all these reasons, we respectfully ask for your support and a yes vote on HB 2530A.