



Oregon State Legislature
Senate Committee on Energy and Environment
900 Court St. NE
Salem, OR 97301

March 9, 2023

RE: Senate Bill 582, Relating to the Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Training Program (EVITP)

Dear Chair Sollman, Vice-Chair Findley, and members of the committee,

On behalf of the more than 74,000 members and supporters of the Oregon Chapter Sierra Club, we are writing in support of SB 582.

SB 582 will ensure that Oregon's Electric Vehicle (EV) charging network be installed safely and will instill consumer confidence in the reliability and safety of Oregon's new charging network. With a reliable and safe network we envision an Oregon with more EVs on the road pushing our state towards the greener and more sustainable future we know is possible.

SB 582 will also be accessible to all licensed electricians and provides training that coordinates with all makes and models of EV chargers, ideally increasing the support to move Oregon forward.

The EVITP program has been recognized on a national level and was recommended by the Federal Government for workforce guidelines on the installation of EV service equipment.

We urge your support for SB 582.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Dix, Chair
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