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

My name is SaraHope Smith and I live in Milwaukie, OR. I was an energy manager, working with ODOE, school districts and state and local gov't on energy conservation. I also started a renewable fuels business in CA. The buildings us humans spend time in represent a large(40)% of energy consumption and are a great leverage pt for impact. Building resiliency is a really important effort to support because of the real difference that it can make in the quality of people's lives. In 2008 I assessed where we should focus ARRA funds across the state and measured the cost savings energy conservation efforts would bring to communities. Especially in these hard financial times those savings combined with a move to renewables is super important!