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I am writing to support HB 3579. Supporting Oregon's clean energy technology companies is crucial at this point in time when demand is growing globally for those technologies and other states and companies are vying for the massive federal funding that is becoming available.

We want to have the infrastructure to maximize the competition for federal dollars via a Clean Energy Opportunity Fund. This policy would give clarity and guidance to firms seeking to do business in Oregon and to ensure that the supply chain for clean energy technology is local and not dependent on other countries which as we have seen in the past few years is tentative at best. The creation of a task force to work out logistics of how to best proceed is important. I would like to keep clean energy companies in Oregon and not lose them to surrounding states. I hope you move forward with decisiveness and the speed which these times demand. Thank you for the opportunity to testify.