Submitter: Tyrell Hillebrand

On Behalf Of: Central Lincoln PUD

Committee: Joint Committee On Ways and Means

Measure: SB5506

Central Lincoln People's Utility District is a consumer owned electric utility that serves the Oregon coast between Gleneden Beach and Coos Bay. Central Lincoln PUD was formed 80 years ago by a vote of the people to form a utility district to serve the central coast of Oregon. We are governed by a locally elected board of five members that represent the customers in our service territory. We provide electricity that is reliable, affordable, and 95% carbon free.

Central Lincoln PUD strongly opposes any increase in the Energy Supplier Assessment (ESA) that is used to fund some of the work for the Oregon Department of Energy. As a Consumer Owned Utility we receive no benefit from the ESA that is paid for by Central Lincoln and our customers. Any future increases to the Department of Energy budget should be funded out of the State general fund instead of continuing to increase the ESA.