



House Committee on Climate, Energy, and Environment  
Oregon State Capitol  
900 Court St. NE  
Salem Oregon 97301

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Dear Chair Marsh and members of the committee,

The Oregon Solar + Storage Industries Association (OSSIA) is a trade association founded in 1981 to promote clean, renewable, solar technologies. OSSIA members include businesses, non-profit groups, and other solar and storage industry stakeholders. We provide a unified voice of the solar industry and focus exclusively on the solar value chain; from workforce development to permitting, advocacy, policy, and regulation for manufacturing, residential, commercial, community, and utility scale solar projects on the local, state and regional level.

OSSIA supports HB 4112, which would support clean energy manufacturing right here in Oregon. OSSIA supports this measure because one of our members is Grape Solar, a small solar panel manufacturer located in Eugene, Oregon. They are well-poised to take advantage of federal programs and create well-paying manufacturing jobs in Oregon and the Northwest. This legislation can provide support for companies like Grape Solar that are committed to growing the clean energy technology sector in Oregon.

OSSIA also supports the bill's proposal to create an advisory council, which will really bring state focus to the economic development opportunities that clean energy manufacturing can bring to Oregon. We look forward to working with Business Oregon and participating in the advisory council process.

OSSIA supports HB 4112 and urges this committee to vote yes.

Sincerely,

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Executive Director