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Representative Gamba, committee members,

My name is Serena Campas, and I am a policy associate for Rewiring America, a national nonprofit focused on electrifying households across the country. I am testifying today in support of HB 3081, the One Stop Shop 2.0 bill.

At Rewiring America, we envision a fully-electric future where households are powered by clean, efficient technologies – heat pumps, heat pump water heaters, solar, battery storage, and more – creating healthier, more resilient, and more comfortable living spaces for families and communities. Oregon has long recognized the urgency of addressing climate change, and has responded by establishing ambitious climate action goals and emissions reduction targets. Electrifying buildings and improving energy efficiency are important pieces of that plan.

Currently, there are thousands of dollars in rebates and incentives for electrification and energy efficiency projects available to Oregonians through a variety of programs offered by utilities, the Energy Trust of Oregon, and state and local governments. But, navigating these programs is often difficult and complicated. Households struggle to figure out exactly what projects qualify for which rebates, how different rebates and incentives can stack together, and where to turn for guidance when questions arise.

One Stop Shop 2.0 is the solution. In 2023, the legislature recognized the challenge that households face in understanding the rebate and incentive landscape by passing the One Stop Shop 1.0 bill. While the website created through that bill has been a great step in the right direction, many Oregonians still need additional support in accessing available funds to upgrade their homes to be healthier, more efficient, more resilient, and more affordable to operate. Installing a heat pump, for example, can save Oregonians an average \$361 annually on their energy bills.

HB 3081 is the next, necessary iteration of the One Stop Shop, providing live support, direct assistance from reliable sources, and connections with trusted contractors, all empowering Oregonians to improve their homes and lives. We want to ensure that all available funding reaches households and to help them afford efficient heat pumps, improved insulation, sturdier doors and windows, clean, electric cooking, and more.

With that, I urge you to support HB 3081, and thank you for your time.