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On Behalf Of:

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Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3546

I support the Protecting Oregonians With Energy Responsibility (POWER) Act (HB 3546) for the following reasons:

- 1) It will protect Oregonians' energy bills. Oregon families and small businesses are already struggling. We should not be subsidizing the energy costs of data centers.
- 2) It will hold Data Centers accountable. Data centers have grown exponentially over the last decade and have added a lot of costs to our energy grid. They need to pay their fair share.
- 3) It will ensure a stronger energy grid for everyone. We have seen that other states struggle to meet energy needs as data centers have boomed. Oregon needs to protect our energy systems as well as affordability.

Thank you for considering my comments.

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