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House Bill 3609 will require utilities to create a distributed power plant (DPP) program. DPPs work by bringing together rooftop solar and battery systems with other technologies such as smart thermostats, to provide electricity where and when it's needed most. DPPs will create benefits for all Oregonians, including: This bill will reduce unwanted outages and save customers money. It will supplement and assist the existing grid and ease expansion pressure of our rapidly growing energy demand. We need to reduce natural gas peaker powerplants to reduce carbon dioxide emissions. Perhaps most importantly this bill will provide financial incentives to enable more people to adopt solar energy, battery storage, and other distributed energy resources. This means DPPs also spur much-needed economic development, private investment, innovation and technology development.

Please vote yes.