

Submitter: Ariel Mendez
On Behalf Of:
Committee: Joint Committee On Transportation
Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2963

Dear Chairs McLain and Gorsek, and Members of the Joint Transportation
Committee:

As an individual member of the Bend City Council, I am writing to express my support for HB 2963. I am not representing the council as a collective body, as it has not yet had the opportunity to deliberate on the matter.

Rebates for eBikes would be a massive step towards meeting our climate and safety goals. When the City of Bend opened up applications for 75 eBike rebates in 2023, over 600 people applied for the program.

The State of Oregon has provided rebates for electric cars. I personally received a check in 2022 for \$2,500 when I purchased an electric vehicle. Rebates for eBikes means safer streets, cleaner air, quieter cities, and healthier residents. Let's do it!

I hope you will support these goals by recommending HB 2963 for passage.

Yours,
Ariel Mendez
Councilor, City of Bend