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The bill allows households to generate their own solar energy without complex utility interconnection agreements and associated reviews and fees.

The bill opens up solar to renters, homeowners who can't afford rooftop solar, or with unsuitable roofs. This is an estimated 70% of households, according to Bright Saver, a nonprofit focused on education and advocacy for plug-in solar.

Plug-in solar has been used safely in Europe for many years, and passed with unanimous, bipartisan support in Utah in March 2025. Oregon is one of over twenty US states introducing similar bills in 2026.