



**Service Employees
International Union
Local 503,
Oregon Public
Employees Union**

ESPIA Committee
Resolution 2

2022 Committee Recommendations:

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Legislative Action on Climate

Subject: Legislative Action on Climate

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WHEREAS, SEIU Local 503, OPEU is a Union representing more than 72,000 workers who are experiencing, and will continue to experience, the impacts of a changing climate; and

WHEREAS, it is well documented that harmful climate impacts will be felt disproportionately by low income, Black, Indigenous, and People of Color; and

WHEREAS, SEIU Local 503, OPEU has emerged as a leader in climate justice by becoming the first Labor Union in Oregon to endorse the Green New Deal and Oregon Green New Deal, establishing a standing Climate Justice Committee, and championing climate legislation; and

WHEREAS, we expect legislative proposals in the 2023 session that will address aspects of our climate challenge, including proposals that will directly affect the transportation sector; and

WHEREAS, our Union represents members that work in the transportation sector;

WHEREAS, action on climate could not be more urgent; Now, therefore ,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL COUNCIL OF SEIU 503, OPEU that our Union shall engage with members, caucuses including the Indigenous People’s caucus, AFRAM, Latinx Caucus, ADPI Caucus and partners, and stakeholders, including Tribal Stakeholders, on climate-related legislative efforts in the 2023 and 2024 legislative sessions.