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On Behalf
Of:

Committee: House Committee On Emergency Management, General
Government, and Veterans

Measure: HB2601

RE: HB 2601

I have trouble believing that this bill is necessary in a relatively progressive state like Oregon. The biggest threat by far to our collective future on earth and in Oregon is climate change. We must continue to try to extricate ourselves from this catastrophe and a straightforward way to move us along this path is to divest from all fossil fuel related infrastructure immediately and completely. What could possibly speak against this? If that existential reason isn't enough - investing in fossil fuel infrastructure is enormously risky financially. The OST has admitted this publicly so wherein lies the problem? Why not divest? If the OST feels it needs legislative cover to do so this bill ought to do that.

For the sake of all PERS folks and the rest of us Oregonians please pass HB 2601.

Sincerely,
Sarah Deumling