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On Behalf
Of:

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

Measure: HB4083

Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this important issue.

I am an Oregonian with a long history of concern about climate change.

I wish to register my support of HB 4083. My only question is why has this not already been done?

Oregon has long ago adopted climate change goals. That took a lot of effort and keeping to those goals has required a lot more effort, but has been absolutely necessary for survival of human life on this planet - at least the kind of life we now enjoy. It eludes me how the step of pulling public money under the State's control out of investments incompatible with our climate change goals can have eluded the Legislature until now.

HB 4083 corrects this oversight. Not only that, but it is likely to be financially beneficial to Oregon as well, as other testimony will make clear.

Please take this golden opportunity to vote HB 4083 out of committee with a "do pass" recommendation, and do all you can to ensure that it passes on the floor. We have no more time to delay.

Thank you,

Peter Bergel