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On Behalf

Of:

Committee: House Committee On Emergency Management, General

Government, and Veterans

Measure: HB4083

Dear House Committee

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on HB 4083. I strongly support HB 4083 - the COAL Act - because it establishes the goal of moving our state's investments out of dirty coal and keeping our pensions and state finances safer. It sets Oregon on the path to the decarbonization of its investments.

This is also an important move to support dependable investments for the many Oregonians who depend on PERS. Coal has become an underperforming investment and should be removed from their retirement portfolio for that reason alone.

How can we in Oregon, with our commitment to a green future, continue to invest in the dirtiest of fossil fuels? Let us continue our leadership in environmental progress and pass the COAL Act to preserve our treasured landscape for generations to come.

Sincerely, Paulette Wittwer