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I support HB 4044 because the State of Oregon has advised its citizens that a major earthquake has been predicted that will cause major shaking in the Portland area. Furthermore, we are told by earthquake maps provided by the Oregon Department of Geology and Mineral Industries, that areas that were once wetlands and ponds that are now filled will experienced much greater shaking than other areas closer to bedrock. Since most of the lands currently home to storage tanks for petroleum and petrochemical that are toxic to human through skin contact or inhalation, it is imperative to study this potentially dangerous situation, close to thousands of people's homes and detail the risk and what can be done to mitigate or eliminate them.

Given what we already know, it would be criminal to not do this while we still can!