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Measure: HB4112

This bill reeks of funding for green energy ideals from taxpayer wallets and solutions that are detrimental to every Oregonian that absolutely solves nothing but pads the pockets of limited favorite entities of politicians without requiring paying back such loans.

Section 6. appropriations to the OR Business Development Dept. for the biennium ending June 30, 2025, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$20,000,000 for deposit into OR Clean Energy Technology Mfg Opportunity Fund. Section 3(3) says the funds are to award grants to entities that lend to clean energy technology companies -- So, we are giving money to a lender to lend money they will get paid back, but isn't required to reimburse it to the state so the lendee can qualify for procurement contracts from the state. But, the department can make its own loans under Section 3(5) with the Council's advice, which requires repayment.

The state has used its procurement preferences to promote certain activities or outcomes. For example, in 2019, Senate Bill 1044 established goals to promote zero-emission vehicles and set procurement requirements for state agencies to purchase or lease zero-emission vehicles for fleets. Particularly after the freeze, electric vehicles are on the downturn, wind turbines are destroying fowl and set idol in disrepair, offshore wind turbine technology in deep ocean waters are effecting our fishing industries, whale populations, water foul and more, solar panels are manufactured in China and companies can't compete without federal funding. So maybe they can get a loan under HB 4112? Who and what does this really support? NOT THE TAXPAYER!

Oregonians deserve better with their \$\$\$. Anyone supporting this bill should be ashamed. These technologies are not solutions. They are complete waste of taxpayer \$\$\$ that only benefits those who have invested in this hoax of green energy solutions.