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Committee: Senate Committee On Finance and Revenue  
Measure: SB1593

Chair Meek and members of the committee

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony opposing SB 1593.

This study is a poor use of taxpayer dollars. We don't need another study that looks at timber taxes or wildfire funding – we already have both of those:

Ernst & Young studied the tax burden of the forest products sector in 2021 and concluded the sector already pays a 1.5 times higher tax burden than other sectors  
Earth Economics produced a report – funded by the Legislature – on wildfire funding  
This bill is just a thinly veiled effort to help one legislator make a case for an outdated severance tax concept using taxpayer dollars.

Please oppose SB 1593.

Thank you,

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