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Position on Bills at 2025 Session of Oregon Legislature:

SB 685: Support Introduced Bill Oppose -1 Amendment

The Oregon Progressive Party supports SB 685, which would require privately-owned utilities from introducing hydrogen into natural gas distribution lines without approval from the Oregon Public Utility Commission.

The risks of hydrogen in natural gas pipelines is documented in the testimony of Dr. Alan Journet. The absence of any valid environmental rationale for doing so is documented by Dr. Arjun Makhijani's testimony.

We oppose the -1 amendment, which removes the requirement for Oregon Public Utility Commission approval. Instead, it requires only that the utility notify customers that it is blending hydrogen into the natural gas.

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