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I SUPPORT [SB 91]. DEQ is in the spot light. DEQ's performance will dictate Regime Change or Accolades.

"Perfluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl" compounds are used in Firefighting foams as a surfactant cooling the fire, smothering the volatile vapors and starving flames of oxygen.

"Perfluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl" compounds do not breakdown naturally. These compounds are found in many Household products such as pizza boxes, nonstick cookware, some toothpastes and dental floss to name a few.

Check out: [<https://www.publichealth.va.gov/exposures/pfas.asp>]

Perfluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl will cause a variety of cancers.

Firefighters are known to have high cancer rates and this is one reason Firefighters can retire at fifty-five (55) with a full Tax-free Medical retirements with full benefits.

"Perfluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl" compounds in firefighting foams end up going down storm drains entering into creeks, lakes, rivers and the ocean bioaccumulation in aquatic life.

Some meat products contain perfluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl compounds and are absorbed and excreted in feces. The Biosolids contain perfluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl compounds. The Biosolids are used as fertilizers in some jurisdictions and here they enter the food chain and run-off from rains and or irrigation into the receiving waters.

Here's the rub, [SB 91] has an 'Opened-ended' budget allocation to the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) from the GENERAL FUND. An 'Open-ended budget allocation is unacceptable.

Considering "Perfluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl" compounds are ubiquitous and there is 'No' movement to ban their use throughout Oregon, I just do not trust the DEQ with an 'Open-ended' budget allocation from the GENERAL FUND.

Banning "Perfluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl" compounds is a good first step in removing these cancer causing 'forever chemicals' from Firefighter Foams, the environment

and my food.

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Mr. Oregon Concur and says, "DEQ if you screw-up with the 'Open-ended' budget allocation from the GENERAL FUND resulting in higher property-taxes, I'll definitely move back to San José, California where I belong. San José is the Land of exceptionally tasty Mexican, Italian, Japanese and German Food. The Korean Restaurant is also very good and the Falafels at the Falafel Drive Inn are tits (despite the flimsy pita bread). The Burritos at Mi Pueblo are so tasty and big they look like logs that fell off an Oregonian logging truck."