

Dear Chair Sollman, Vice-Chair Brock Smith, and Members of the Committee,

My name is Daid Cobar and I live in Portland. I am writing in support of SB 88 to make sure that advertising, legal and lobbyist fees come out of company profits, not rate payer pockets.

We support SB 88 because the bill:

1. **Energy Bills Shouldn't Force Impossible Choices:** No one should have to decide between keeping the heat on in the winter or paying rent. SB 88 will help remove unnecessary charges from my bill, making energy more affordable and ensuring I can cover essential living expenses.
2. **Utility Companies Need to Pay Their Own Costs:** I shouldn't be footing the bill for corporate lobbyists, advertising, and industry association fees while struggling to keep up with rising costs. SB 88 makes sure these expenses come from company profits, not my paycheck.
3. **Oregon Needs to Put People First:** Other states have already passed laws to protect consumers from these unfair charges—Oregon should do the same. Passing SB 88 is a common-sense step to ease the burden on working families and small businesses.

Thank you in advance for your support of SB 88.

Sincerely,

David Cobar
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