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SB 88 would limit the ability of utilities to charge ratepayers (as opposed to shareholders) for lobbying, litigation costs, fines, marketing, industry fees, and political spending, limits that are very much needed. My husband and I have invested a great deal of time and money to conserve electricity in our household and our bills still went up so much that we fear we'll have to go without heat for more days of the year than we already do. This is unacceptable to me, and saddens me when I think of the many Oregonians who are more financially challenged than we are. When utility companies keep asking to raise rates beyond what many people can afford, why on earth should we be subsidizing their business costs?! If you care about ordinary Oregonians, you will support this bill. Thank you.