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As you know, PFAS are described as “forever chemicals” because they persist in soil, water and air and accumulate in our bodies. I live near the Coffin Butte Landfill, which emits volumes of PFAS via both landfill gas and leachate. Just as an example, biosolids from leachate settling ponds/tanks are spread on pastures year after year, and so the PFAS accumulate in the soil (then are taken up by the grasses which are then eaten by the cows which then get into their meat and milk, etc) because they do not break down for a long time. They will eventually break down but we need to stop adding them to the environment in order to allow that to happen. So please pass this bill to halt the addition of PFAS to products, because those products eventually end up in a landfill somewhere... and the toxic cycle just continues. This has got to stop.