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As an Oregon native who hopes to better the world around me. I and many others, would love to be able to live under well reinforced environmental safety. Oregonians deserve to be proud of Oregon and what it has to offer. We can't secure that future if we continue to hurt our beautiful rivers, air, and scenery.

While I would like Oregon's net zero plan to be stronger than it is, it's a step in the right direction. Let's get going on a path to reduce carbon emissions by ending more investment in the biggest carbon emitter!

Additionally, more than 400,000 Oregonians and their families depend on PERS for their retirement. We don't want to entrust our future to the fossil fuel industry, which has lied to us for decades and caused huge injury to our planet – and is still lying. Why invest in an untrustworthy industry?

How can we in Oregon, with our commitment to a green future, continue to invest in fossil fuels? Let us continue our leadership in environmental progress and pass the Pause Act to preserve our treasured landscape for generations to come.

Sincerely, Ruben Frausto