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This letter is to express my opposition to HB2803 which significantly raises rates for application to drill wells in Oregon. The State of Oregon and Water Resources needs to scale back its overhead and become more efficient. Throwing more money at the Dept in the hopes it will "better regulate" anything is delusional - history has proven this type of logic is rarely true with government entities.

Affordable housing has been a consistent mantra with our Governor. Increasing application fees by this amount will prohibit development of bare property on smaller scale acreages. This is inconsistent with the need and Governor's objectives. The tax payers of Oregon have and are paying adequately for government services provided by the Water Resources and associated Dept. It's time for government to tighten up, become efficient and eliminate funds being siphoned off for irrelevant projects - including at the state level.