

Support SB 1187

Why support this measure?

1. Economic Fairness

Why do Oregon taxpayers need to continue to subsidize polluters? A company that creates waste should bear the cost to clean it up. Right now these companies can simply pass along these costs to the taxpayers.

2. Create Incentives to Reduce Toxins in our Environment

When companies can avoid the cost of cleaning up the toxins they put into Oregon's land, air and water, they have no incentive to invest in the technologies to reduce these emissions. This bill will provide those incentives.

3. Create Fairness and Level the Playing Field

Currently a company that chooses to reduce its emissions voluntarily is effectively penalized because some of its competition chooses to continue to pollute in order to reduce its operating costs. This is not fair and equitable.

4. Improve the health of Oregonians

The measure will reduce toxic emissions and create a healthier environment for Oregonians. This will result in lower healthcare costs and reduced payouts for state healthcare programs.

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