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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Energy and Environment

Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB1187

My name is Amanda Duncan, and I am writing to urge you to support SB 1187. I'm a long-time Oregonian who has watched our state contend with damages caused by extreme weather events and wildfires that are becoming increasingly common due to climate change. Taxpayers are footing the bill at a time when they also paying higher utility bills and insurance rates, if they are able to get insurance at all. The situation is not sustainable.

Climate change is driven by the burning of fossil fuels, something that the fossil fuel industry has known for decades but downplayed to the public. SB 1187 would create a Climate Superfund funded by large fossil fuel companies in proportion to the greenhouse gas emissions they are responsible for. The fund would be used for programs to help Oregon agencies and communities mitigate and adapt to the impacts of climate change.

Oregonians are suffering while the fossil fuel companies are making billions of dollars. It is only fair for them to pay their fair share of the damage they have caused. Please join me in supporting SB 1187.

Sincerely,

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