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This is outrageous. Rates are increasing exponentially, and they want to reduce the amount of damages someone can be paid, deprive us of our right to sue the utility if they participate in the program, and install vague language around "Allowable damages".

If the fund is going to pay out 80%, then the utility should pay out the remainder.

If the utility is at fault for the fire, they should absolutely be sued, to determine the degree of culpability. At the very least, they should be held accountable for the damages paid from such a fund, in addition to the remainder.

Allowing a law to restrict Oregonian's ability to hold a business accountable for damages and death by limiting their ability to sue is predatory and monstrous. Maybe such entities should rightfully go bankrupt, and remaining damages paid from such a proposed fund in that case.