



To: Senate Committee On Energy and Environment  
900 Court Street NE  
Salem, OR

Date: April 7, 2025

Sub: Testimony in support of SB 1187

Chair Sollman, Vice Chair Brock Smith, and members of the committee,

My name is Eliza Walton, I am the coalition director at Oregon League of Conservation Voters. The Oregon Conservation Network (OCN) is coordinated through the Oregon League of Conservation Voters (OLCV). It is a network of nonprofit organizations throughout Oregon, united to advocate for pro-conservation legislation and to fight policies that threaten our state's natural legacy.

On behalf of our thousands of members and supporters in Oregon, we would like to register the Oregon League of Conservation Voters, and the Oregon Conservation Network's strong support of SB 1187.

The damages caused by climate change are increasingly expensive, impacting both human health and the natural environment, with the costs now largely falling on Oregon's residents. Since the primary driver of climate change is the burning of coal, oil, and natural gas, it is only fair that fossil fuel companies help shoulder these costs.

SB 1187 will support Oregon's efforts to adapt to climate-related challenges such as wildfires, flooding, and other environmental impacts. This includes improving infrastructure like transportation and power grids, enhancing water supply and wastewater treatment systems, supporting agriculture and fisheries, retrofitting buildings, and safeguarding the health of forests and ecosystems. This bill is a crucial step in Oregon's fight against climate change and holding fossil fuel companies accountable.

Thank you for your time. Please vote yes on SB 1187.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Eliza Walton".

Sincerely,  
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