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On Behalf Of:	My entire family
Committee:	Senate Committee On Natural Resources and Wildfire
Measure, Appointment or Topic:	SB1154

I am writing as a concerned resident of rural Oregon to urge you to oppose SB1154 and any similar legislation that would impose new fees, metering requirements, and state control over privately owned wells. Over the years, our family has been very responsible to ensure our well water is safe and void of contaminants. We have it tested regularly. Like many other rural Oregonians, we are not connected to a city water supply and rely entirely on our well for daily living. We pay for all drilling, testing, maintenance, etcetera to ensure we have clean and safe water. If there is a problem with our water system, we pay to fix it, not the city or state. This bill is complete overreach of the state government and will create a hardship for families and small farmers all over the state. I strongly encourage you to stand with your constituents and protect our right to maintain access to the water sources we have responsibly purchased, developed and maintained. Thank you for taking the time to consider my stance (as well as many others) on this issue.