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I am opposing SB 1187. There is no reason to establish a fund paid for by taxing companies in regards to energy. It will make our energy costs HIGHER. The funds collected will go to fund "climate justice" initiatives funneled through non profits. We don't need any more NGO's stealing from tax payers for nebulous "woke" goals. Energy rate increases have been driving Oregon inflation by passing costs directly to consumers, while PGE continues to maintain bonus & dividend rates. Portland has a similar tax which has become an unnecessary slush fund that the city is using to patch budget shortfalls. We don't need anymore NGO slush funds with exorbitant salaries. Oregon doesn't need more taxes, we need less government spending. Isn't the Climate protection plan that Brown pushed through cover the same concerns as SB1187? The answer is yes, isn't it? The State of Oregon does not need to supersede the federal government since the USA has withdrawn from the Tokyo & Paris accords. Climate change is a scam & this is about control.