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I strongly oppose the proposed bill allowing the state of Oregon to establish a water conservation committee with the authority to enter private property without consent and mandate costly improvements. This bill represents a clear overreach of government power and a violation of private property rights. Granting a state committee the unchecked ability to access my land and impose thousands of dollars in upgrades based on subjective criteria sets a dangerous precedent. Property owners should not be forced to bear the financial burden of vague or potentially arbitrary regulations, especially when there is no guarantee of compensation or due process. Water conservation is important, but it must be balanced with respect for individual rights and personal autonomy. I grew up in rural Oregon, currently live in rural Oregon, and served in the United States Military to protect rural Oregon and the United States as a whole. I strongly oppose this bill and ask that it be discarded.