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Please pass HB 3489. The costs of managing the increasing effects of climate change must be born by the beneficiaries. This bill brings fairness to the distribution of these ever increasing costs.

- Make big timber companies pay their fair share for forest protection. Currently, the largest timber companies in Oregon are paying a fraction of the cost to protect their private land from wildfires, despite making hundreds of millions in profit. Oregonians and small woodland owners are picking up the majority of the tab.-
- Ensure future funding for wildfire suppression. Oregon is experiencing more frequent and devastating wildfires that are costing taxpayers millions. In 2024 alone, fighting wildfires in Oregon cost approximately \$350 million.
- Fund state programs that help prevent wildfires. One third of the revenue from the policy will go towards the Oregon State Fire Marshal for community wildfire prevention and resilience.
- Support increased revenue for Oregon's timber counties. One third of the revenue will be reserved for unrestricted use for counties where timber is harvested.