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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Finance and Revenue

Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB1586

Please, vote NO on SB 1586. Oregon currently considers data centers a related industry and provides hefty tax credits to data centers that can be carried on balance for up to five years. The results: 191 school districts and education service districts in Oregon collectively lost \$275 million to property tax abatements in 2024, according to Good Jobs First, a nonprofit watchdog group. With so much human need in our healthcare, education, and transportation sectors, jurisdictions cannot afford to be on the hook for hundreds of millions in tax giveaways to the tech sector, let alone to polluting data centers that despoil environments, waste resources, and create virtually no jobs for the jurisdictions saddled with them. Protect our capacity to maintain social, environmental, and logistical infrastructure by preventing the further encroachment of the parasitic data center industry. Vote no on SB 1586!