

20 March 2021

To: House Committee on Energy and Environment

Re: House Bill 2021

Dear Chair Representative Marsh, Vice-Chairs Representatives Helm and Brock Smith, and members of the Committee:

It is definitely a puzzlement just why Oregon's Public Utility Commission might need to study the laws related to clean energy. Are there too many? Are there not enough? Are they not understood? Were they originally poorly crafted? What is the mystery here to be solved?

And following such a study, then what.... report to the *interim* committee? So just what interim committee would that be? Does it already exist or would it be yet another ad hoc committee formed specially to accomplish the mandate of this bill—studying things that don't require study?

What possible new information, new facts or new evidence could possibly be discovered by yet another study. It would be an impressive feat of research to come up with something that is not already known or information not already readily available. What possible benefit to Oregonians could this legislature produce?

This bill looks suspiciously like 'make work' legislation.

It also looks suspiciously like the sponsor(s) and advocates of this legislation have just thrown the term *clean energy* into the title to make it sound like something important.

Hasn't the PUC got a pretty full plate as it is? Does it really need to do this? If the sponsors of this bill want to know about the laws related to energy why don't they investigate it themselves? The information is readily available.

I suggest this bill be tabled. Not only is it not needed it is a waste of this Committee's time and energy.

Sincerely,



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