

I am writing to oppose SB 360 which would weaken Oregon's restrictions on siting new nuclear power plants. The bill would exempt small modular nuclear reactors from Oregon's rules that require statewide voter approval and a viable permanent geological repository for nuclear waste. Senate Bill 360 would allow small modular nuclear reactors to be sited in cities and counties without adequate safety protocols. The prospect of nuclear power plants is frightening on many levels. The risks posed by nuclear energy to the environment, human health and the state are too great to take any chances. Please reject SB 360 and any other legislative attempts to weaken Oregon's restrictions on siting new nuclear power plants.