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To: House Committee on Energy and Environment; others

Re: I OPPOSE [HB 2520]...Another waste of time, effort and money to screw over Oregon's rural lands.

[HB 2520] contains several flawed conditions in its' construction.

Each flawed condition constitutes a "kiss-of-death (herein KOD)."

1st KOD: "...(b) Identify adequate and appropriate amounts and types of urban and rural lands to support renewable energy to be developed in the State of Oregon, inside and outside of urban growth boundaries, consistent with the objectives of Oregon's renewable portfolio standards and Oregon's statutory greenhouse gas emissions reduction goals." NO EXPANSION OF UGBS FOR THIS CRAP. NO INTRUSION INTO RURAL AREAS.

<u>Solar Farming comes to mind</u>. Kowtowing to industry lobbyists especially, from out of state entities trying to mitigate "cap and trade" mandates. This practice should be outright forbidden.

2nd KOD: "...SECTION 2. (1) An advisory committee shall assist the Land Conservation and Development Commission in the update of statewide land use planning goals under section 1 of this 2021 Act. (2) The advisory committee shall consist of members as follows: (a) The Director of the Department of Land Conservation and Development shall appoint: (A) A member to represent city governments; (B) A member to represent county governments; (C) A member to represent renewable energy development businesses; (D) A member to represent farming or ranching businesses; (E) A member to represent forestry businesses; (F) A member to represent environmental interests; (G) A member to represent electric utility companies; (H) A member to represent energy conservation communities; (I) A member to represent federally recognized tribes; and (J) Such other members as the director deems appropriate;..." ANOTHER BULL-MANURE POLITICAL APPARATCHIK.

3rd KOD: "...SECTION 3. All agencies of state government, as defined in ORS 174.111, are directed to assist the Land Conservation and Development Commission and the advisory committee described in section 2 of this 2021 Act in performing actions under sections 1 and 2 of this 2021 Act." NO BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS LISTED.

4th KOD: "...SECTION 5. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the Department of Land Conservation and Development, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2021, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$_____, for the purpose of administering and implementing sections 1 to 4 of this 2021 Act." A "FILL-IN THE-BLANK" FUNDING FROM THE GENERAL FUND IS AN AUTOMATIC KOD.

5th KOD: "...(a) The Oregon Climate Agenda released by the Governor and dated November 28, 2018;... ...SECTION 6. This 2021 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2021 Act takes effect July 1, 2021." THE AFOREMENTIONED ARE GARBAGE. NO EMERGENCY EXISTS. THE "CLIMATE AGENDA" IS INCOMPETENT.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ David S. Wall