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To: House Committee on Water; others

Re: I OPPOSE [HB 3166 (-1)]...*The legislature is fomenting rebellion on many levels. What else is new?*

[HB 3166 (-1)] exert: "SECTION 1. (1) The Legislative Assembly finds and declares that: "(a) Water budgets are a fundamental tool to promote efficient water management, ensure effective water distribution and help plan for future water needs."

The measurement of streams, surface waters ground water basins is going to be a very costly endeavor.

[HB 3166 (-1)] exert: "(d) Encourage coordination and cooperation among federal, state and local governments in providing financial and technical support to assist water appropriators with water use measurement and reporting to develop water budgets." *Financial support, now that's going to make some people laugh real hard.*

Oregon doesn't have the printing presses like Washington does, besides all the Federal and Oregon money is going to buy votes by providing free housing to everybody except "whitey." Go ahead read [HB 5110], [HB 2007] and [HB 2102] for starters. I'm not worried. I'm not stupid. I've just become the "Albino-Blackman."

Now, those lovable lugs want to create, "**The Water Measurement Cost Share Revolving Fund.**"

[HB 3166 (-1)] exert: "(2) The fund established in this section consists of moneys appropriated by the Legislative Assembly and moneys gifted, bequested, donated or granted from any person for the purpose of installing, substantially repairing or replacing streamflow gauges, measuring devices or headgates with measuring devices."

The "water budget" is going to be rife with incompetence and fraud. Enforcement will be litigation central.

"Stream gauges, observation wells and other technologies" to create a "water budget" is fantasy on drugs.
But wait, Oregon is drug use heaven. Line of cocaine? A little psilocybin anyone? Or, just a bong-hit for Jesus?

How many employees is the Water Resources Department going to; hire, train and try really hard to retain before, they too realize Oregon is headed for the economic crapper? People are already relocating out of here. But, not to worry, brain-dead Biden is giving us thousands of illiterate illegal aliens to feed, clothe, educate and house.

[HB 3166 (-1)] will dramatically affect agriculture. The costs of running cattle and dairies is going to become unmanageably expensive. *Are you trying to run the cows out of town?*

The cows are just now coming around to eating seaweed [HB 3278] so their flatulents don't smell so bad.

And then there is wildlife taking a drink or two. More power to them.

[HB 3166 (-1)] is going to be very unpopular with rural residents who rely on well water.

What's next-metered wells?

Go ahead. We're on the verge of Civil War anyway.

Respectfully submitted,

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