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To: House Committee on Energy and Environment; [others]

Re: I OPPOSE [SB 314A]...Sorry, I respectfully must say, "Hell No" to [SB 314A] as written.

An excerpt from [SB 314A] states,

"SECTION 3.

(1) As used in this section, "natural gas utility" means a natural gas utility regulated by the Public Utility Commission under ORS chapter 757.

(2) The commission may allow a natural gas utility to recover costs from all retail natural gas customers for prudent investments in or expenses related to infrastructure measures that support the adoption and service of alternative forms of transportation vehicles if the investments or expenses are consistent with and meet the requirements of subsection (3) of this section. An investment or expense by a natural gas utility may include an investment in or an expense related to infrastructure behind the customer meter.

(3) An investment in or expense related to infrastructure measures that support the adoption and service of alternative forms of transportation vehicles is a utility service and a benefit to retail natural gas customers if the investment or expense can be reasonably anticipated to:

(a) Support the adoption of alternative vehicles that are powered by renewable natural gas or hydrogen;

(b) Support reductions of transportation sector greenhouse gas emissions over time; and

(c) Benefit the natural gas utility system.

Benefits may include, but need not be limited to:

(A) Distribution or transmission management benefits;

(B) System efficiencies or other economic values inuring to the benefit of retail natural gas customers over the long term; or

(C) Revenues to utilities from fueling alternative forms of transportation vehicles to offset utilities' fixed costs that may otherwise be charged to retail natural gas customers."

*We all know Senator Beyer is a "mover and a shaker" but, in [SB 314A] Senator Beyer is moving to shaking my money out of my wallet to pay for infrastructure for commercial uses I do not derive any benefit.

This "saving the planet crap" has gone way too far to the left.

What have the Chinese and Indians (foreign Indians not ours) done to save the planet?

Speaking of the Chinese, a good part of their rocket ship, recently launched, is uncontrollably plummeting back earth but, no one currently knows where. Some say Oregon would benefit greatly if the rocket ship parts were to fall on the Legislature.

Speaking of the Indians...the absolute horror of having your relatives die before your eyes from COVID as a result of piss-poor planning of the Indian government by not having; enough oxygen, emergency facilities, and staging large political gatherings where no-social distancing or uniform mask wearing is practiced. This catastrophic and avoidable human suffering results in the ongoing mass burning of human corpses; out of doors using wood and coal, increases India's carbon foot print to the atmosphere because; the Indians do not have the resources to cremate their departed loved ones promptly and compassionately in natural gas fired crematoriums.

Does Senator Beyer, via [SB 314A], advocate raising cremation service costs here in Oregon to fund electrical car charging stations? And, Senator Beyer wants to save the planet by taxing natural gas usage to pay for electrical charging stations for Tesla cars. The taxpayers might place Senator Beyer's re-election bid on a spit and barbeque his butt in the next election cycle.

Electrical vehicle owners should pay a fee to support charging stations like the rest of us pay for gasoline and diesel use.

By the way, Senator Beyer is a "good-guy" despite [SB 314A].

Respectfully submitted

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