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On Behalf Of:

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My name is Cassie Wilson, I'm 23 years old, and I'm writing on behalf of Sunrise Rural Oregon to ask that you support HB 4115 for treasury transparency. Sunrise is a youth-led movement to stop climate change and create millions of good green jobs.

As young people, we feel the weight of our futures in every decision we make and every decision our elected leaders make. Currently, we don't have a clear picture of what decisions Oregon's treasury is making when it comes to their investments. Are they invested in things that are good for our future? Bad for our future? It's currently not easy to get an answer to that question, but it can be with the passage of this bill and the annual release of this data. After all, it is public information, so it should be readily made publicly available.

Additionally, as young people living in rural areas, we've experienced firsthand the effects of climate change. Through drought, heatwaves, ice storms, wildfires, and smoke, the impacts of these disasters have rippled through our community. We've also enthusiastically supported and appreciated the climate action the state has taken over the last few years to put us on a path towards reducing our emissions. It's clear that stopping climate change is important to many Oregonians, so it's important to make sure our investments are not fueling the problem and are in line with our values.

If the Treasury is doing a climate risk assessment of their investments, the results of that assessment should be available to the public as well.

Please pass HB 4115.

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