

Dear House Committee on Revenue.

Portland Jobs with Justice is a coalition of over 100 faith, labor, and community groups organizing for justice in workplaces and society. A just future for all of us requires a livable climate for our future and those of future generations.

The workers we stand shoulder to shoulder with every day have experienced immense impacts of working amid climate change, including ice storms and extreme heat. We are asking for your leadership to confront the climate crisis.

In order to protect frontline workers from worsening climate impacts, the state must invest in just and equitable climate solutions today. As many of our members are pension holders and advocates of retirement security, we must be assured that our futures are secure. We are calling for your support for the Treasury Transparency Bill (HB4115) - so that we may all better understand and support the investment holdings the state is making on our behalf. Transparency helps the public better understand where pensions may be exposed to risky fossil fuel holdings. As supporters of retirement security and PERS, we must pass HB4115 to ensure that investments match the just and climate-safe future we envision for all of our golden years and for all future generations.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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