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On Behalf Of:
Committee: House Committee On Revenue
Measure: HB4115

Hello members of House Revenue Committee,

I am a Oregon resident from Northeast Portland and I am writing IN SUPPORT of HB4115. Climate Change terrifies me, it makes me so upset to think about my future getting smaller and smaller every day. I'm 24 years old and every year I see more and more climate disasters striking all over the world, which break my heart and scare the crap out of me. In this past year, I've had relatives in Germany where whole towns were destroyed by record breaking flooding; I have a sister in Colorado who lives less than 15 miles away from a town where over 300 homes were destroyed from a wildfire in JANUARY; here in Portland I lived through the summer of 2020, where I was wearing a mask in my own home due to the air being so thick from wildfire smoke.

This is the world we live in and it is irresponsible to my entire generation to not do EVERYTHING IN OUR POWER to prevent climate change. You have an immense responsibility with this bill to rework an phenomenal amount of money (130 billion!) and divest from all fossil fuels in the fund. Fossil fuels are destroying our environment and burning down all hope I have for my future. We should not have our money invested in them, we should not invest into them in the future. I am asking you to support House Bill 4115 because it's the right thing to do. Please don't abandon the future of my generation for the sake of oil companies' bottom line.

Thank you,
-James