I OPPOSE [SB 678]...All Oregonians have an equal investment in Oregon's coastal waters. [SB 678] should be a ballot measure to be decided by the "Voters."

https://olis.oregonlegislature.gov/liz/2023R1/Downloads/MeasureDocument/SB678/Introduced

"FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

Measure: SB 678 82nd Oregon Legislative Assembly – 2023 Regular Session Legislative Fiscal Office" https://olis.oregonlegislature.gov/liz/2023R1/Downloads/CommitteeMeetingDocument/267425

"SB 678 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY Senate Committee on Energy and Environment"

https://olis.oregonlegislature.gov/liz/2023R1/Downloads/CommitteeMeetingDocument/275852

"Requested by Senator SMITH DB PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 678"

https://olis.oregonlegislature.gov/liz/2023R1/Downloads/ProposedAmendment/25403

I applaud those who participated in the construction and analysis in the aforementioned "FISCAL IMPACT OF THE PROPOSED LEGISLATION." May I also tender my sincerest condolences for being compelled to do so.

Now that the ceremonial matters have concluded, there are several reasons why [SB 678] should be reduced to cinders. Better yet, Biochar.

The last time I looked, "Regional Solutions" is 100% funded out of "Lottery Money." Regional Solutions disperses "Lottery Monies" under the guise of economic development grants to Oregonian Counties. There is a lot of money here, money that should be used for schools and the furtherance of education-as it was advertised to the "Voters."

A few questions: Where are the components of windmills made, China? How much energy is used to create windmills? Do windmills use any fossil fuel related products? What is the service life of windmills? What materials are used to build windmills? Are windmills 100% recyclable? What is the cost of installation/maintenance of a windmill? Windmills have serious noise problems, will the "noise" affect wildlife? Can electricity generated from windmills be stored? Are batteries used to "store" generated electricity? How much do the batteries cost? What are the batteries service life? Will electricity generated from windmills be stored in a substation to be used by coastal communities thereby removing coastal communities from established electrical grids? Do windmills indiscriminately kill birds? Do windmills kill whales and other assorted Marine life? Is there a "magnetic field" generated from electric cables from windmills, located on the seabed all transmitted to land, affect Marine life in any way? Will there be any impact to the fisheries sector of the Resource Economy? Are there any detailed financial plans to compensate the fishery economy if so, where are the detailed financial plans located for inspection? Will electricity generated from windmills require any coastal city to expand their Urban Growth Boundaries? What are the proposed illusory economic benefits to be conferred upon coastal communities to garner their support of [SB 678]? Is [SB 678] designed with the intention of "buying votes" from coastal communities? Are the incorporation of support of coastal communities necessary to "sell [SB 678] to the Legislature/Governor? How will windmills affect Oregon's coastal tourism industry? Who in the world would venture to Oregon's coastal communities, spend copious amounts of money in hotels/restaurants to look out to sea and see windmills? Would tourists from Europe, who depended upon windmills for energy, to fuel all sectors of their societies, painfully learned how undependable windmill generated electricity is venture to Oregon to view windmills destroying oceanic vistas, fishing, museums, local tours, art studios, boat tours, water craft rentals? What are the detailed financial plans to compensate distressed local coastal hospitalities resulting from windmills? What would be the duration of the compensation? The Service Economy is going to suffer. Housing costs will rise.

Natural Gas fueled power plants create electricity cheaper without harming the Ocean's bounty, the coastal community's economy and the environment. Invest in Hydrogen/Nuclear energy. By the way, screw solar farms too.