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On Behalf

Of:

Committee: House Committee On Emergency Management, General

Government, and Veterans

Measure: HB2601

Regarding HB 2601

My name is Ray Quisenberry. I'm a long time resident of Salem, and have working toward climate solutions for many years. I strongly support HB 2601. I'm also a PERS recipient, and I don't want my retirement funds invested in a fossil fuel system I'm finding more and more immoral, as people are dying from the impacts of climate change. My own sister died from heat related stress during the 2021 heat wave, and my father was chased from his home by the Camp Fire in Paradise, Ca. In that fire, 85 people weren't as lucky as my father.

There is also the issue of our investments being wedded to fossil fuel companies at a time when renewable fuels are a better market choice. These are 19 century and older technologies, as 21st century renewable energy sources are now the preferred choice. Putting my money on fossil fuels is being irresponsible with my money. We need to invest in the future!

Thank you Ray Quisenberry Salem