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On Behalf

Of:

Committee: House Committee On Emergency Management, General

Government, and Veterans

Measure: HB2601

Let's all support HB 2601 and provide a better, greener future for Oregon!

I am a member of the NEA, a retired teacher, and a union member. I have invested in Oregon and want my state to lead the nation in a green future. I am also a member of the Portland Raging Grannies, a group dedicated to many causes, including the environment and environmental justice.

It's time to listen to the International Energy Agency and stop ALL new investments in coal, gas, and oil.

Treasury should not be undermining legislation by continuing to fund fossil fuels, with a half-billion-dollar investment within the last month. Divestment is a necessary tool to protect investors from a loss of value, in this case all the citizens of Oregon. I oppose investment in any and all fossil fuels.

It is urgent that our legislature mandate green policy as Treasury is not transparent about the risks of investing in fossil fuels and is not divesting in them.

Let's make sure we are riding the wave of the future to a green recovery!