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Members of the House Committee on Climate, Energy and Environment:

Others have far more technical knowledge on this subject but as a life long concerned and engaged resident of Oregon I think this bill is a terrible idea. Nuclear power plants are prone to serious and enormously costly accidents in spite of the fact that we are assured that there is virtually no risk. They are more costly than other options for combatting climate change - solar, wind, hydro and, best of all, conservation (use less) as well as restorative agriculture and forestry to store more carbon. All of these come with far less risk and cost.

We Oregonians decided in 1980 to build no more nuclear reactors until there was an underground solution to the nuclear waste problem. To date there is not. How can we, with a good conscience, subject untold future generations to the dangers of even more above ground, temporarily stored nuclear waste? Please use your valuable time and energy to support more creative and less harmful solutions to our problems and let this bill die in committee.

Thank you for your service. Sarah Deumling