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On Behalf Of: Future generations

Committee: House Committee On Climate, Energy, and Environment

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I oppose this bill which will lead to exposing us and future generations to harmful radiation either directly or through our soils and ground water.

Nuclear energy might be a long term solution to greenhouse gas emissions but not until processes are developed to use all the the radioactive material or a truly safe method of storage for the waste that is created. We are unable to cope with CO2 that has a half life of 100 years. How can we even consider creating waste with a half life of thousands of years without a proven plan to contain radio active emissions? The ongoing issues with leaks around Hanford waste and companies sneaking their radioactive waste into the Arlington landfill should be deterrents to removing the requirement for adequate controls on radioactive waste before we approve new facilities to create that waste.

Please do not let this ill conceived idea out of this committee.