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Measure: SB803

I am against this piece of legislation.

It would completely phase out petroleum diesel in 7 years, with NO PLAN to address renewable diesel supply and competitiveness challenges. SB 803 would establish a standard for carbon intensity and other characteristics of diesel fuel used in on-road motor vehicles and would establish a timeline for the Oregon fuel standard to apply to different regions.

The Legislature has passed many regulations and incentives to increase the use of cleaner fuels. In 2015, the Oregon Legislature passed the Clean Fuels Program that, through a regulatory framework, incentivizes the sale of renewable diesel. Under Governor Brown's Executive Order 20-04, the Department of Environmental Quality is already considering a rule that would more than double the clean fuels standard and make fuels like Renewable Diesel even more valuable. Additionally, the Environmental Quality Commission adopted the Climate Protection Program that creates a preference for fuels like renewable diesel.