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On Behalf  
Of:

Committee: House Committee On Emergency Management, General  
Government, and Veterans

Measure: HB4083

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on HB 4083. I am a professional software developer and have lived in the Portland area for over 5 years.

I strongly support HB 4083, both because I value protecting state finances and pensions from the risks associated with investing in a dying industry and because I believe that public moneys should not be used to support any industry that is so directly responsible for destroying the living world. Continuing to support the coal industry in this way cannot be justified.

In 2020, my wife and I welcomed a son into our family, which crystalized a need for me to more fully understand the climate crisis and what it portended for his future. What I learned shocked and dismayed me. So much has already been lost. So much can still be saved but we must act swiftly and dramatically.

Please show leadership now by voting the COAL Act out of committee. Thank you for your support of HB 4083 and for fighting for a livable future for all children.

Sincerely,  
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