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On Behalf Of:

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

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3450

Chair Tran and members of the House Committee on Emergency Management, General Government and Veterans:

I am writing to urge you to move the four CEI Hub bills -- HB 3450, HB 2949, HB 2152, HB 2151 -- out of Committee.

I strongly support these bills and frankly wonder why it has taken so long to get this far. The dangers of earthquakes, fires, floods, and lightning strikes make the CEIH a disaster waiting to happen. Though I live in southern Oregon, I am very concerned about the human, environmental, and public health dangers posed by the ageing infrastructure, as well as the economic and social disruption that would be caused from loss of fuel stores.

These bills address the need for improving the infrastructure to withstand natural disasters. In addition they also address problems of having such a centralized approach to fuel storage, and ensuring adequate fuel for first responders in the event of a disaster.

Thank you for your service.

Sincerely,

Christine Oswald