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Dear Senators Golden, Pham, Taylor, Rep. Gamba and Committee Members:
I support the Pause Act (SB 681). Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony for this Act.

I am an Oregon tax payer, whose taxes support OPERS, and am retired from 20 years with the Oklahoma Office of Juvenile Services. I appreciate how hard state employees work serving citizens & I care how the Oregon PERS funds are invested. Private investments overexpose funds to fossil fuels, which may become stranded assets. These investments pollute our challenged environment, more negatively for marginalized communities, & which are less likely benefit less from the resources extracted & used. This is not equitable.

I urge you to put at least a 5 year moratorium on the OR treasury investing on private equity, especially fossil fuels.

I appreciate your service.

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