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On Behalf Of:
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Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB1541
NO on SB 1541

Establishes the Climate Superfund Cost Recovery Program as an interagency response to the effects of climate change, which is a hoax and a money laundering scheme at the very least. It's a scam. This is a bad bill. It will drive more and more businesses from the state. This legislative group is anti business, anti worker and apparently anti people. NO MORE TAXES!! I do not wish my taxes going to climate change hoax. I strongly oppose this bill and urge you to do the same.

Back again from the 2025 session is this illegal retroactive cost recovery that will make energy costs go up. A cap-and-trade program was implemented to mitigate greenhouse gas emissions costing some to buy credits. Now they want to double tax them by saying their credits weren't any good. The citizens of Oregon are already taxed beyond our limits. This appears to be just another bill for the state to get more money to spend on any little thing that comes along and really have zero benefit to the citizens. Please quit spending money that we citizens don't have.

This bill is not a "superfund." It is a tax—plain and simple. And like every other energy tax, it will be paid by working Oregonians, not corporations. This legislation will create significant additional cost increases for transportation fuels, which will be passed on to our member mills impacting their Scope 3 costs, making mill operating cost challenges even greater in Oregon.

This bill stacks on top of Oregon's Climate Protection Program, which is already set to tighten dramatically in Phase 2 in 2027. SB 1541 doesn't fix what's broken—it doubles down. It compounds cost, uncertainty, and economic harm at a time when mills are closing, businesses are leaving, and jobs are disappearing.

Please vote NO on SB 1541.