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Dear Chair Golden, Vice-chair Nash, and Members of the Committee,

Corporate interests have profited at the expense of the public for far too long. Our state and local governments have to foot the bill, and this further exacerbates the challenges we face with limited services and cuts. It is not unreasonable for all corporations to price the externalities of their products in their returns.

When you make a mess, you should clean it up. That's why I support the creation of the Climate Resilience Superfund, to hold polluters accountable by making the large, out-of-state fossil fuel companies pay their fair share.

From wildfires to polluted water, we've watched as communities across the state have felt the worst of our climate crisis. For too long, the cost of cleaning up the impacts of climate change has been the responsibility of us Oregonians and our local governments. We've been footing the bill while fossil fuel companies rake in the profits.

That must end.

As legislators, you have the power to shift the costs from your constituents to these mega corporations. I urge you to pass SB 1541 and finally make these polluters pay for the damage they've done to communities across our state.