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This bill would cause more harm to Oregon long term than any financial gain in the immediate future. There are almost 0 upsides to this coming to pass that benefits the people of Oregon. The construction of this data center would provide only a handful of jobs as a trade off of decimating farmland and encroaching on significant waterways. Ultimately, the cost of these data center will fall on our heads as we are going to have Oregon does not need another data center built in this way. It is a sham to have the residents continue to pay increasing costs of utilities as the ones causing these impacts get millions in tax breaks. What exactly is the plan to generate economic growth from these data centers? These data centers would only serve conglomerate companies while providing very little to the public sector. If the approach of these data centers were skewed towards public interest such as what we seen in Virginia (Who have data centers funding a large portion of their public services budgets), itd be a different story. This is a non-sense bill only to float already rich peoples pockets and continue to put the burden on Oregon's residents and environment. Do not let this go through.