COIN Legislative Session Worksheet for 2025

Bill Number: SB678 Brief Description: An insanely destructive bill that undoes wildfire protection provisions adopted in Senate Bill 762 (2021). Name of Point Person who completed this form: Click or tap here to enter text Alan Journet. Email address if you are willing to be contacted with questions about this bill: Click or tap here to enter text. AlanJournet@gmail.com Last Updated: January 26 2025 1. Research topic – choose which category best fits your bill: X Climate, Energy Environment ☐ Housing/Houselessness ☐ Campaign Finance Reform ☐ Immigration/Social Justice ☐ Healthcare/Gun Safety ☐ Education ☐ Transportation ☐ Economics ☐ Criminal Justice ☐ Gun Safetv ☐ Other describe: Click or tap here to enter text. 2. The bill's Legislative champions - Chief Sponsors: Bonham; Robinson, Noah. 3. The bill's legislative opponents: Anyone with more than half a brain; forest ecologists, fire marshals, etc. 4. What advocacy groups are supporting this bill and why are they supporting it? Provide contact information if available. (maximum 200 words) Seems to be a Republican bill, but the extreme MAGA side I(if there is any different perspective within today's Oregon R party). 5. What groups are opposing this bill and why are they opposing it? Probably forest (fire) ecologists, should be county commissioners and rural landowners, folks who breathe. 6. Reasons COIN should take a position on this bill. Choose all that apply: \square Progressive groups across the state care strongly about this. ☐ This Bill protects or expands the rights of marginalized populations. ☐ This bill helps change the structures of the democratic system to make it work better. ☐ This issue is controlled by the state or states have a great deal of power in it. X SB762 was developed and approved legislatively because it offered a bi-partisan and rational mechanism for addressing the increasing fire risk in Oregon.

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- 7. What is the likelihood this bill will pass? Since it has been assigned to Senator Golden's Committee on Natural Resources and Wildfire, and Golden was the sponsor of SB762, probably very little. Wever, it is impoartnt that those opposed to this insanity make a noise in the hope of disocuraging further such stupidity from these and other Senators.
- 8. List the relevant dates concerning the bill(s)-(scheduled committee hearings, votes, lobby days, other scheduled advocacy, phone banks, post card parties, etc). Click or tap here to enter text. No Hearings scheduled
- 9. Please list any specific advocacy action you would like COIN to help with, any media contacts that may be helpful or any other important information? Given the number of critical bills deserving attention, this may be a bill to watch, but certainly I think COIN should be on record as opposing it.