

COIN Legislative Session Worksheet for 2025

Bill Number: **SB88 Get the Junk Out of Rates**

Brief Description of Bill (maximum 100 words): Prohibits an electric or gas company from recovering from ratepayers costs or expenses associated with advertising, political influence activity, litigation, penalties or fines and certain compensation.

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1. Research topic – choose which category best fits your bill:

Climate, Energy Environment

☐ Campaign Finance Reform

☐ Healthcare/Gun Safety

☐ Transportation

☐ Criminal Justice

☐ Other describe: Click or tap here to enter text.

☐ Housing/Houselessness

☐ **Immigration/Social Justice**

☐ Education

☐ Economics

☐ Gun Safety

2. The bill's Legislative champions – Chief Sponsors:

Regular Sponsors: Senate Interim Committee on Energy and Environment

3. The bill's legislative opponents: The utilities, especially gas, Oregon Business & Industry, the usual suspects

4. What advocacy groups are supporting this bill and why are they supporting it? Provide contact information if available. (maximum 200 words) C. I imagine the climate and equity network and social justice organizations since this undermines one of the main justifications utilities express for raising rates.

5. What groups are opposing this bill and why are they opposing it? (maximum 200 words) Click or tap here to enter text. As above: The utilities, especially gas, Oregon Business & Industry, the usual suspects

6. Reasons COIN should take a position on this bill. Choose all that apply:

☐ **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.**

☐ Other

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7. What is the likelihood this bill will pass? Click or tap here to enter text. It's not clear to me, but being introduced by the Interim Committee on E&E surely helps.
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 Public Hearing yet scheduled but committee filing suggests that WILL happen soon.
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? Click or tap here to enter text. Endorse the bill and submit supporting testimony when the Public Hearing is scheduled.