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**From:** Patrino Beth  
**Sent:** Monday, April 13, 2015 8:51 AM  
**To:** Mickelson Anastasia  
**Subject:** FW: Testimony in support of HB 3250

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Subject: Testimony in support of HB 3250

To: Members of the House Energy and Environment Committee

Re: HB 3250

I urge support of HB 3250, to put a cap on carbon emissions, to auction allowances, and to distribute the revenue back to Oregonians.

Common Ground OR-WA strongly supports the notion that the value of government-granted privileges to private entities, such as land ownership, use of the electromagnetic spectrum, and use of nature as a pollution sink, should be taxed regularly for the benefit of society.

A dividend is an excellent way to fairly distribute the benefits of government-granted privileges, such as allowance to emit carbon dioxide, back to society.

Thank you for your consideration of this important bill.

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