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**To:** Mickelson Anastasia  
**Subject:** FW: Support for HB3470

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**To:** Patrino Beth  
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To: Jessica Vega Pederson, Chair, and members of the House Committee on Energy and Environment  
Re: Support for HB3470:

I strongly support HB3470 known as the Climate Stability and Justice Act. Climate change affects all of us. In the absence of unambiguous federal action, states are taking the lead in developing programs to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Oregon has a proud reputation as an innovator in environmental policy. HB3470 continues that tradition.

HB3470 will put into law Oregon's stated goals to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. HB3470 allows for a variety of policy instruments to protect our climate based on the best scientific knowledge and evaluation of best practices, integrating them into a program designed to meet targets as efficiently and effectively as possible. HB3470 enables synchronization with other states, creating the potential for a powerful regional climate protection program.

HB3470 provides for assistance to low income households to offset any unfair burden from higher energy prices that may occur during the transition from fossil fuels to renewable energy.

I coordinate the Salem chapter of climate change action organization [350.org](http://350.org). I chose that affiliation because [350.org](http://350.org) resonates with my own longstanding concern for the harm the fossil-fuel based economy is doing to our communities and our planet. Climate change is happening now. It will become worse in the future unless we take bold measures now to change the course of energy policy and practice. [350.org](http://350.org) is an international organization facing up to an international crisis, but it relies for its character and strength on ordinary people acting in our own communities. It is from that position and commitment that I urge you to support HB3470.

Thank you,  
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