

Chair Hoyle and members of the House Committee on Rules:

Please prioritize HB 3470 and refer the bill to the full Ways and Means committee with a “do pass” recommendation at your work session on Wednesday June 24th.

As a concerned citizen of Oregon, I am seeing the need for effective and prompt legislation to address the serious concerns that many of us have regarding climate change and its effects on our states health, economy, wild lands, agriculture, aquaculture, forests, ocean, and waterways. The urgent need for action is in our hands, and our children and grandchildren deserve to have their futures protected. Oregon has traditionally been a national leader in many areas of positive change, and the issue of greenhouse gas pollution in the atmosphere needs to be addressed in a forward-thinking and highly-prioritized manner.

HB 3470 is a very responsible approach to putting a cap on greenhouse gas emissions, and will help to prompt innovation and increased investment by the private sector in a renewable energy future.

Thank you for your action on this important legislation.

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