

House Committee On Energy and Environment

Dear Chair Helm and members of the committee,

I STRONGLY OPPOSE HB 3312

This bill requires the Department of Environmental Quality to freeze as a minimum, the environmental regulations as those provided under federal law on January 19th, 2017.

This bill defies the legislative oath of office to do what is best for Oregonians. It is always the option of a state to adopt laws more stringent than federal laws, so this bill is a statement of defiance before the issues can be evaluated and discussed for validity to be the best interest to Oregon and Oregonians.

The supremacy clause laws do not allow this action and will result in court challenges by many industries costing taxpayers. It will further drive industries out of Oregon.

I urge a NO vote on HB 3312

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