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Greetings,

I am writing to oppose LC19. My family is a third generation farm in Woodburn. We are concerned about the impacts that LC19 will have on us, and for every citizen in the state. LC19 is very bad policy, that is being sold as a mechanism to help reduce greenhouse gases. There is NO FACT behind Cap and Trade reducing any greenhouse gases. I see LC19 for what it is, and that is a revenue source for the bloated Oregon government.

If enacted, all propane users will be grossly punished in the first year of LC19 enactment. Rural Oregon will be especially hard hit, because many of those people do not have alternatives for propane to heat their homes, or dry their farm products. Many rural Oregonians are already struggling. LC19 will be a despicable blow to thousands of propane users.

Every business in the state will suffer from this legislation. As a farmer, I will realize huge increases in fuel for our trucks and tractors. As a nursery, our natural gas rates will become crushing. These are only the direct impacts at the pump. Everyone who does business with us in Oregon, will have to increase their costs to us, because they will have to pay for LC19 also. It will be a domino-effect, and it will kill businesses in Oregon. LC19 will effectively weed out plenty of small businesses for you.

Each family in Oregon will be harmed. In the same fashion that business will experience a domino-effect, so will each citizen. The cost of their fuel going up is only the obvious repercussion. The cost of everything will go up, because almost every product on the shelves was brought in on a truck. Some of those products that came on trucks, will have been processed in Oregon, and those companies will have been taxed by LC19 for needing fuel to do business. LC19 will be extremely efficient at making sure that poor and struggling Oregonians will have an even harder time surviving in this state. Hunger will rise, homes will be cold, folks won't be able to afford to get to work. Not very palatable.

What kind of policy needs a provision to protect workers that are unemployed by it's enactment? If LC19 is predicted to cost people their livelihoods, doesn't it seem clear that LC19 is not a good law? Once again, LC19 is a tax scheme. It has nothing to do with helping with greenhouse gases. If people are going to be losing their jobs, then LC19 is not for Oregon.

Thank you for reading. Please reconsider any support you have for Cap and Tax. Please consider the human beings of Oregon that you represent.

Sincerely,
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