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Dear Sirs and Madams,

I am a 65yo Paramedic and I live in a rural area in NW Oregon. I have lived here with my wife who is an ER nurse for many years. I enjoy my current way of life and do not wish to see it destroyed.

I would like to share with you my concerns about the new legislation you are considering (LC19).

This legislation would severely punish rural Oregonians who have little or no choice other than to use propane for heat and power and diesel for farm and work equipment. All at no benefit to the environment.

It would cost thousands of jobs in this state again all to no benefit of the environment.

It would destroy the rural parts of this state and shut down businesses state wide without regard to the lives destroyed all at no benefit to the environment.

If this legislation has no benefit to the environment (by the admission of the parties pushing it) Then what could possibly be the reason for implementing it? Money. That is pretty clear whether one cares to admit it or not. Taxes are already at an all time high making it very difficult for those with limited income. The legislature has already disregarded the will of the voters who voted it down no less than 3 times and forced in a sales tax (gross receipts tax).

I would urge you in the strongest possible terms to reject this horrible poorly thought out bill that would do nothing for the environment.

We are watching!

Sincerely,

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