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To the Environment and Natural Resources Committee:

I am writing to protest and express my outrage at your proposed LC 19 Cap and Trade bill.

It is nothing more than a sneaky, underhanded attempt steal more revenue from the small budgets of Oregon working families and retired people. All this climate change B.S., if true, mainly is coming from the manufacturing in Asia. I have lived in Oregon 62 years and I have yet to see any significant change in the weather and I think it is nothing more than a scam by liberal politicians to manufacture more fees and taxes to subsidize a growing, out of control state bureaucracy.

- * LC 19 punishes rural families, farms, and businesses who have no alternative but to use propane to heat their homes and run their processing facilities. Rural residents will bear the full cost of the increase in the first year of the program. This disproportionately impacts rural communities.
- * Many Oregon families and businesses will immediately suffer from increased natural gas rates.
- * LC 19 clearly jeopardizes Oregon jobs. It includes provisions to assist workers who have been displaced or lost their job due to the cap-and-trade policy.
- * The proposed phase in of fuels by geography (Portland first and other cities later) is an empty exemption for rural Oregonians. Please don't pass something that fuel distributors say won't work! Under LC 19, fuel costs will increase for all Oregon families, regardless of where they live.

Conclusion: Cap and Trade is a scam to transfer wealth from the working and retired Oregon citizens living outside the 3 biggest cities in order to increase the standard of living for people in Portland and pad the pockets of campaign contributors.

Sincerely:

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