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As a citizen of the State of Oregon, I am in opposition to the current LC19 proposal, in its entirety.

80% of all oregonians are "working" Oregonians, and this bill will decimate countless lives of our fellow citizens.

Simply put, the greenhouse gas output in the state of Oregon, now and in the future, will have an inconsequential impact on any climate change. In fact, the whole impact of greenhouse gasses produced by the entire US, has little to no impact in the overall temperature increase of our planet. Industrial areas of Asia, India and the like, have the lion's share of impact to the environmental damage we are measuring. Why should we be taxed for their misdeeds?

So why then do we desire to raise taxes, by forcing whole industries to re-invent their way of life? This only provides increased revenue for the State of Oregon, and has a negative effect on all business inside the state.

House bill LC19 also includes the "emergency clause", which by design was intended for: "Immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety," in Oregon's Constitution.

However, there is no immediate need to begin a taxation process, as it does not immediately save the lives of Oregonians, or immediately has the impact to change or alter the health and safety of Oregonians.

The short session was also designed to allow for our legislature to approve any necessary budget(s) in order to maintain a continuity for state services. Again, LC19 does not fit into the legitimacy of the short session.

As an Oregonian, I do not support this bill, it will directly affect me, my family and all those who call this great state home.

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