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Good morning Chair Dembrow, Vice Chair Olsen and Members of the Senate Interim Committee on Environment and Natural Resources,

I am a resident of Clackamas County writing to submit testimony in support of bold climate action in 2020.

Oregonians appreciate the work legislators have done over the past several months to continue pushing bold climate action forward in 2020. There was unfinished business in 2019 (the second hottest year in human history), and now Oregon must take responsibility for our share of the climate crisis.

LC 19 is better than some proposals from the last couple of months, but it isn't quite there yet. It looks too much like a wishlist produced by big polluters. Here are the key changes we need to see in order to make this bill real climate action:

- We need improvements to the transportation portion of the bill so all oil companies pay their fair share no matter where they're located.
- We cannot pay polluters to continue business as usual, as the LC currently does.
- This LC needs a guarantee in investments in communities hardest hit by the climate crisis.

This issue is too important for us to turn our backs while our forests burn, our fish die, and water runs out in parts of our state. We support a bill that will benefit all of Oregon.

Thank you,
Kasra Shokat