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In general I support capping greenhouse gas emissions, pricing pollution and investments in clean energy. LC 19 or SB1530 is a beginning to do this. I think it could use improvement in the way investments are overseen to ensure that the funds go to the most impacted communities (fisheries, farms, and forestry). I am pleased that the utilities will be required to help low income families with weatherization, energy efficiency, and bill rebates.

I am also concerned that methane gas suppliers will receive free allowances to cover the industries that use large quantities of gas. Ideally we want to move off of methane gas as a fossil fuel that is 80 times more potent than CO2 in trapping heat. I do not see the incentive to help the industrial users move to full solar or wind energy thus ending their gas contracts.

Climate change is the single biggest threat to our way of life. We already see and increase in wildfires, farm crop failures, fisheries failure due to ocean acidity and dead zones off our coast. Forests, on of the best tools for sequestering carbon are still being clear cut but not, with a warmer climate, the trees we require to be replanted often die from lack of water and too much heat. Southern regions are experiencing Northern migration because, as one new Portlandian from Phoenix said, 'it's too hot to live there anymore'.

We are past time for action. LC 19 is not the final answer. It is a good start. Let's make it stronger, pass it, and start working on new technology to more rapidly move us off fossil fuels and train displaced workers and youth for the new jobs of the future.

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