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

My name is Phillip Callaway and I am a small woodlands landowner in Linn County. Thank you for your continued work on the critical issue of the climate emergency.

As a woodlands landowner, climate change is having a direct impact on the timber on my land. Many of the large Douglas Fir trees on my property are dead or dying because of the hotter, drier summers we are now having. This increases the risk of catastrophic wildfire.

I would like to see Democrats and Republicans come together to pass a strong climate change bill. We need improvements to the transportation portion of the bill so all oil companies pay their fair share no matter where they're located. Oil companies are the largest source of pollution in our state and we cannot let them off the hook.

As written, this bill would pay fossil fuel polluters to continue business as usual. We can't afford business as usual. We cannot allow legislation to move forward that is climate action in name only, while it fails to hold large polluters accountable.

This bill needs a guarantee in investments in communities hardest hit by the climate crisis -- rural, low-income, Tribes, and communities of color. While there are aspirations to prioritize those communities in the current version, Oregonians deserve a guarantee.

I hope you will support changes to this bill and support the passage of bold climate action in 2020. We owe it to future generations to take action now before it is too late to make a difference.

Respectfully,

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