

Chair Dembrow
Senate Interim Committee on Environment and Natural Resources
Oregon State Legislature
Salem, OR

Dear Senator Dembrow:

I am a constituent in your district, writing to you in full support of Renew Oregon's analysis of Senate Bill 1530. I care deeply about passing strong environmental protections. SB 1530 is a good framework but it isn't strong enough in its current form.

- The transportation portion must be strengthened 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.
- Polluters will be able to continue business as usual. We can't afford business as usual. Large polluters must be accountable.
- Investments in communities hardest hit by the climate crisis must move from being aspirational to being guaranteed. Rural, low-income, Tribes and communities of color take the brunt of the pollution; they need guaranteed support.
- Cap-and-invest is the right solution for Oregon. It is bold climate action. It will help reduce pollution, invest in good-paying jobs and improve our communities, and protect our health by cleaning up the air.

Last year was the second hottest year in human history. Oregon's oceans are becoming more acidic and wildfires are growing more frequent and massive. This issue is too important for us to give in to big polluters and to pass on a chance to target funds to the communities most in need.

As your constituent, I am proud of your leadership on climate issues. Please build upon the work you have started with SB 1530 by making the bill stronger and pass bold climate legislation in 2020.

Sincerely,
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