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As the Legislature well knows,  
the ability  
to control CO<sub>2</sub>  
emissions is the ability  
to control the economy,  
energy, land, people and resources.

This equates to  
a massive and unacceptable expansion  
of government power that  
we will strongly resist.

— Oregonian

Oregonians will incur substantial costs due to this terrible proposal while receiving no benefits in return. We are the real “stakeholders” here, not the environmental extremists who are dictating our futures and risking our prosperity.

LC19 is little changed from its predecessor - HB2020 – and in many ways it is actually worse!

- LC19, like HB2020 is being drafted with an “emergency clause,” which is clearly intended to prevent public opposition through a ballot initiative. Despite Greta Thunberg’s protestations to the contrary, there is no emergency that will be mitigated by this proposal – this is proven by the fact that this proposal will have no impact on the climate at all!
- From what we understand, certain records related to LC19 are being exempted from Oregon’s Public Records Law. How does that align with the Governor’s pledge for transparency? What does the Legislature have to hide?
- LC19 is HB2020 rewritten with “concessions” designed to fool those who object to “cap and trade” legislation - claiming that this new version will spare rural areas, as well as including other exemptions and “carveouts;” however, we’re fully aware that these loopholes will be quickly closed, and that rural areas will ultimately bear the full brunt of this terrible proposal.
- LC19 clearly jeopardizes Oregon jobs – this is evidenced by the fact that the proposal includes provisions for assistance to workers who will be displaced or lose their jobs due to the implementation of cap and trade policy.
- LC19 will increase the cost of the natural gas and already very expensive propane that people need in order to heat their homes.
- LC19 will increase the cost of the gasoline and diesel fuels that people need for daily transportation, recreation, and to run their businesses.
- LC19 will increase the cost of all goods and services produced in Oregon, and will damage many business as people will spend a greater portion of their income on the fuel and energy they need to conduct their lives and businesses rather than on the goods and services they would otherwise purchase.

- LC19 will be BAD FOR OREGON! The Legislature needs to focus on initiatives to improve the lives of Oregonians - not on punishing them!

LC19, like HB2020 is a sweeping and very impactful proposal. If it is to move forward, it should be placed on the ballot and subjected to a vote of the people! We're hoping it never makes it that far, and we will be petitioning our Republican representatives to again walk out if necessary to prevent this legislation from advancing. We will also be participating along with thousands of other Oregonians in the protest which will be held at the Capitol on February 6.

Thank you for your consideration.