Dear Committee Members,

Even if your goal is to make Oregon green at the expense of business and industry, HB 2020 won't accomplish what you want. It will just accomplish the "at the expense of business and industry" part.

I have a mobile, large animal veterinary practice in Eastern Oregon. Our minimum wage laws have kept me from expanding my practice by hiring full-time workers, and now an increase in fuel prices will cut deeply into my profit margin. My options will be to raise my prices to my clients, who will already be getting hit worse than me with fuel tax, or make the effort to fill up in Idaho whenever I get a chance, which will negatively affect the business of our border town gas stations.

I ask you to please consider the effects of your proposed laws on Oregon business before passing them.

Sincerely,

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