

Dear Members of the Carbon Reduction Joint Committee,

This email is a testimonial to the negative impact that HB2020 will have on the business climate in Oregon. I work for an electric motor sales, service and repair shop. We fall into the small business category with 35 employees. We service industries that create competitive wage jobs in Oregon. Ashgrove Cement in Durkee is one of our customers. Carbon reduction measures that can result in the closure of businesses such as Ashgrove Durkee should not pass and I am opposed to any legislation that supports these types of measures. When our customers are negatively impacted by this type of legislation, it has a rippling effect throughout the business community. Family wage jobs cannot and should not be eliminated as the result of damaging legislation such as HB2020. House Bill 2020 is an infringement on the livelihood of the working families of Oregon. Onerous business restrictions and unnecessary taxes (such as the proposed gas tax) are an affront to the business communities and families that call Oregon home. Respectfully, Jeff Richter (NW Motor Service).