

Dear Committee,

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I am writing to you to voice our disapproval of the damaging HB2020 bill.

If you are truly concerned about global warming, why are you not going above and beyond to stop our yearly three to four month long wildfires that burn millions of acres creating pollution damaging to humane, animals, and every living species in Oregon. It would only take productive Forest Management cleaning out the dead trees, brushes, and other elements that causes the yearly fires. It is not much different from what we do when we clean up our property before the summer hits. But, your answer to yearly wildfires is "Let It Burn" showing little concern about the citizens of Oregon and the environment.

If you are truly concerned about global warming, why are you not finding a way to recycle everything except wet garbage? I was born and raised in Germany; they are recycling everything but wet food since the early 1980s. But that doesn't make any money, right? Again, you are not truly concerned about our environment as Germany is for example.

Isn't it true that global warming is a money making industry where only a select elites get rich on the back of the hardworking citizens e.g. Al Gore who lives in a very nice mansion using tons of electricity and has his own private jet. The devout socialist, Bernie Sanders who preaches and support bread lines and total government takeovers, has three homes and a cash asset for over \$2 Million—let him share his wealth first. AOC who want to control what we eat and eliminate cows because they fart. Can it get any more hypocritical and insane?

HB2020 is not much different; it will only make the elite rich and will do nothing for Oregonians except make their lives miserable. It will cause a tremendous burden especially, on low and fixed income families. The increase in gas prices from Transportation tax that was passed last year is enough to raise our food prices. We are now paying \$5.00 for eight Hamburger Buns who can afford that. My parents came for a visit last year and were shocked by the prices we are paying for food and other necessities.

Yes, you are in the majority and can implement anything. But for goodness sake, Oregon is in deep trouble and needs your attention—our crimes tripled over the years, our homelessness is out-of-control, our drug problem is sky high, and PERS's liability is over \$26 Million (now robbing SAIF to pay for it), but all you worry about is carbon tax creating even more difficulties for Oregonians. Look at New York; their crazy unrealistic policies have forced businesses and people to leave NY creating a \$2.9 Billion revenue shortfall. California is another good example, businesses and people are leaving and the homeless increased to the point where they have tent cities everywhere and human feces are piling up on the streets—how does that affect the environment? You have the majority to implement your crazy's unrealistic policies; you have your hands around our necks and squeeze ever so tight unless there is no breath left forcing us to escape your tight grip on us.

But, isn't global warming all about sustainability meaning that the human race needs to be reduces and controlled—what they eat, drive, their activities, and even what they speak. It displays in Oregon very well as we have become a dark killing machine allowing to kill even born babies, dismember them, and sell the little tiny body parts for money. Do you really think that this is not evil? Oregon allows assistant

suicide for any reason; we do not even know the true number of people who kill themselves. All these cheapens lives influencing our younger generation to behave in a disturbed and terrifying way. And then, we asking why we have so many criminals, really?

If HB2020 passes, you will put unnecessary burdens on many Oregonians! Ultimately, Oregonians will have to move or fight for the State of Jefferson. My husband and I are already talking about moving—our property taxes are out-of-control, our payroll taxes are too high, and our food and gas prices are unaffordable. Your priorities are truly SHAMEFUL!

Thank you for your time,

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