Dear Joint Committee on Carbon Reduction,

I strongly oppose HB 2020.

It would not do anything to stop global warming (which ended in the beginning of the century) nor climate change (which is always changing). In fact former secretary of state John Kerry admitted that if we shut the world's economy totally, it would make only .01 deg C difference by 2020. The United States ALREADY has met its CO2 goals promised by Obama in 2009. India and China's output dwarf the Output of the United States and they don't plan on slowing down soon. Oregon's output is less than one hundredth the (estimated) output world wide. Even if CO2 caused global warming, which there is overwhelming evidence that it doesn't, increasing the poor and benefiting the snake oil salesmen of Oregon is not the way to go. Cap and Trade has been tried many places and all it does is increase the cost of living, hurting mainly the lower income people, and making the rich richer.

Sincerely,

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