

Co-chairs Dembrow and Power, and members of the Joint Committee on Carbon Reduction,

My name is Anastacia Compton, and I live in Bend, Oregon. I'm writing in support of HB 2020, The Clean Energy Jobs Bill.

An independent economic study presented to the legislature in 2019 shows HB 2020 will benefit our economy. It will add to household income across all tax brackets, with the most going to low-income households because it will create thousands of good-paying jobs and the transition to cleaner energy will lower costs for people and businesses.

There are already 50 times more clean energy jobs in Oregon than there are fossil fuel jobs, meaning this bill will strengthen a sector in which Oregonians are already employed, and create jobs for even more. Investment from this bill will go to reduce pollution and grow opportunities for low-income and rural communities, communities of color, and for training workers in Oregon. Equity and a just transition to clean energy are central to the policy.

Please pass the strongest bill possible to ensure a healthy, clean and prosperous future for our state. Thank you for your work on this, and for traveling to hear constituent's voices.

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